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Preface

The airborne Radar Ocean Wave Spectrometer (ROWS) data presented in this report were collected by the author as part of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA's) contribution to the Surface WAve Dynamics Experiment (SWADE). Funding for the aircraft flights was provided jointly by NASA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Thanks are due Dr. C. Linwood Vincent for the USACE contribution to the funding of these flights.

The successful ROWS flight campaign in SWADE would not have been possible without the support of a number of NASA/Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) personnel. Aircraft flights were conducted over a 2-month period—days, nights, and weekends—often on short notice according to the vagaries of the weather and often under trying circumstances. Among the aircraft support personnel involved in the ROWS flights, the author acknowledges particularly the support of Mr. Peter Bradfield, the flight coordinator, and Mr. Robert Gidge, the pilot of the NASA 431 for most of the ROWS SWADE flights.

Engineering and technical support for the ROWS instrument were provided by Mr. Douglas Vandemark and Mr. Donald Hines. Mr. John Ward and Mr. Steve Bailey were responsible for developing the new PC-based data acquisition system for the ROWS. Dr. Charles Vaughn developed new ROWS preprocessing software. Mr. Doug Vandemark and Dr. Bertrand Chapron (SM Systems and Research Corporation) developed a new code for the ROWS production data processing. Ms. Karen Stewart (Computer Sciences Corporation) carried out the production data processing. Mr. David Oberholtzer helped produce ROWS flight line maps. The cooperation of all these individuals would not have been possible without the full support of the head of the Observational Sciences Branch (Code 972), WFF, Mr. David Clem. The author thanks Mr. Clem for hosting him during his year's stay at WFF. Mr. Clem is also to be acknowledged and thanked by all SWADE participants for his hosting of SWADE meetings at WFF and for his logistical support during all phases of the experiment.

ROWS data collection strategy in the early part of the mission (i.e., prior to the third Intensive Operational Period) was developed jointly between the author and Dr. Robert Jensen of the U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station (WES). This collaboration resulted in some of

the best data collected in SWADE; namely, the ROWS data collected during the "St. Valentine's Day" wind/wave episode. Dr. Jensen provided the author with a number of data sets generated by others, including the numerical data products of Dr. William Gemmill of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Weather Service/National Meteorological Center (surface winds) and the U.S. Navy's Fleet Numerical Meterology and Oceanography Center (current fields). Throughout the course of this work, Dr. Jensen has provided guidance and encouragement, for which the author is most grateful. Dr. Jensen's work was carried out under the supervision of Mr. H. Lee Butler, Chief, Research Division; and under the general supervision of Dr. James R. Houston and Mr. Charles C. Calhoun, Jr., Director and Assistant Director, Coastal Engineering Research Center, respectively

At the time of publication of this report, Director of WES was Dr. Robert W. Whalin. Commander was COL Bruce K. Howard, EN.

1 Introduction

The Surface WAve Dynamics Experiment (SWADE) was a large-scale, multi-platform surface wave experiment that was conducted in the southern Middle Atlantic Bight (MAB) region off the U.S. east coast during the fall and winter of 1990-1991. The purpose of the experiment was to study the dynamics and evolution of the directional wave field in response to meteorological forcing making use of recent advances in in situ data collection and data analysis, numerical wave modelling, and airborne remote sensing (Weller et al. 1991). Sponsoring agencies included the Office of Naval Research, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). The experiment was organized into several "Intensive Observation Periods" (IOPs). Previous USACE SWADE data reports (Caruso et al. 1993, 1994) have documented the moored buoy and other in situ data, AXBT data, and model-generated wind and current field data. A few examples of remotely sensed wave data from NASA's Surface Contour Radar and the French RESSAC instrument were included in the IOP-3 report (Caruso et al. 1994).

Of the several remote sensing instruments participating in SWADE, NASA's Radar Ocean Wave Spectrometer (ROWS) instrument was the most heavily exercised. ROWS collected approximately 45 hr of high-resolution, directional wave spectra and wind speed data on more than a dozen aircraft flights before, during, and after the last IOP (IOP-3). Funding for these flights was provided by NASA and USACE. USACE also contributed to the processing of these data with follow-on funding in fiscal year 1993. Processed data include 158 spectra files and 88 wind speed files for 12 flights conducted over the period 12 February - 7 March, 1991. A subset of these data for the "St. Valentine's Day" frontal episode (14-16 February, 1991) has been further analyzed and published as a case study (Jackson and Jensen 1995). This study demonstrated both the high quality of the ROWS data and the importance of the radar data in providing extended coverage (i.e., beyond that provided by the SWADE buoy array) in the case of large-scale wind/wave events.

This report presents all ROWS data that have been processed to date for the SWADE mission. The report also presents buoy and model data for the St. Valentine's (StV) data collection period. Appendix A contains time series of buoy environmental data (pressure, temperature, etc.) for the StV

data collection period. Appendices B and C contain analysis surface wind and current fields for the same period. Appendix D contains the buoy directional spectra for the StV period. Appendix E contains fully scaled ROWS directional spectra for both StV and IOP-3 data collection periods and log-energy and frequency-direction plots for the StV period. Interpolated values of wind speeds from the ROWS altimeter mode are presented in the directional spectra plots in Appendix E along with inferred significant wave heights. Appendix F is a collection of daily weather maps for the study period. Appendix G is a notation of symbols and abbreviations used in the report. Statistical comparisons of ROWS and buoy wind speeds are provided in Chapter 4.

2 In Situ and Model Data

In Situ Data

The buoy network in SWADE consisted of four National Data Buoy Center (NDBC) 3-m discus buoys equipped with Hippy heave-pitch-roll sensors, identified in SWADE as Discus-N(orth), Discus-E(ast), Discus-C(enter), and Buoy Coastal Engineering Research Center (CERC); four small meteorological buoys (MiniMet buoys); the operational NDBC non-directional wave-sensing buoys in the east coast NDBC network; and several C-Man stations along the coast as described by Weller et al. (1991) and Caruso et al. (1993, 1994). The locations of these in situ data collection platforms are shown in Figure 1. The inset to Figure 1 shows the configuration of the three NDBC "SWADE buoys," viz., Discus-E, -N, and -C. These buoys were equipped with a K-Gill rapid response anemometer, the standard propeller/vane anemometer, air and water temperature sensors, and humidity and pressure sensors, as indicated in the inset. The buoy positions shown in Figure 1 are the same as at the time of deployment, except for Discus-E, which was captured by the Gulf Stream on January 24, 1991, and deposited 40 km northeast of its original position. Of the four original MiniMets, only MET-3 remained on station throughout SWADE, the others having drifted out of the area (Caruso et al. 1994).

Data from these buoys and C-Man stations have been archived at the NASA/Wallops Flight Facility (WFF) SWADE Data Archive Center (Ober-holtzer and Donelan 1996) and are accessible by file transfer protocol with anonymous log on. Directional wave data from the NDBC discus buoys have been processed by the classical harmonic analysis technique (Longuet-Higgins, Cartwright, and Smith 1963), by NDBC (Steele, Teng, and Wang 1992), and by the maximum likelihood method (MLM) as described by Drennan, Graber, and Donelan (1996). In processing the heave, pitch, and roll co- and cross-spectral data for the directional distribution by MLM, the inversion occasionally fails for a particular frequency, or even for a band average. In this case, the processing reverts to the classical harmonic analysis method. The buoy spectra in this report have been produced by MLM.

Time series of in situ environmental data (temperature, pressure, etc.) for nine SWADE platforms during the StV observational period are

SWADE Area
February and March 1991

77° W   76°   75°   74°   73°   72°   71°   70°

40° N

39°

44012

44009   North Discus   44004

Met Buoy 3   38°

Wallops

44024   Center Discus   East Discus

K-Gill (u,w)   37°

Wind Monitor (2)   Pressure

Antenna

CHLV2

Air Temperature

CERC   Rain Gauge   36°

Tilt and Acceleration
Sensors, Compass

Waverider

Solar Panels (3)

DSLN7

35°

41001

Water Temperature

Lambert Conformal Projection
Jan94

200 m   2000 m   34°

Symbols

✳ Coastal Buoy   ◎ 6m NOMAD Buoy

◉ 3m Discus Buoy   ▼ 1m Met Buoy

◎ 12m Discus Buoy   ▣ C-Man Station

Figure 1.   Locations and types of in situ data collection platforms in the southern middle Atlantic Bight region during the latter part of the SWADE experiment. The insert shows an NDBC 3-m discus directional wave sensing buoy as modified for SWADE (from Weller et al. (1991))

presented in Appendix A. Table 1 lists these platforms. Wind speeds in these plots are the raw anemometer-level wind speeds. In situ wind speeds have also been converted to neutral equivalent 10-m-level wind speeds U_{10n}[1] using two boundary layer models, the Cardone (1969) model, and the Large and Pond (1981) model. Average neutral wind speeds (and wind directions) for the SWADE area during the StV period are shown in Figure 2. In this figure, the St. Valentine's Day wind/wave event can be seen in the ~ 90-deg turning of the wind from southerly to westerly following the passage of a cold front on February 14.

Buoy directional spectra for the StV period 12-16 February are presented in Appendix D. Buoy spectra for the IOP-3 period (25 February - 9 March, 1991) are documented in the report by Caruso et al. (1994).

Table 1
In Situ Data Collection Platforms

Platform	Buoy No.	Latitude	Longtitude	Type of Spectra	Note
Discus-N	44001	38°22'N	73°39'W	Direct. spectra	1,2
CERC buoy	44014	36°35'N	74°50'W	Direct. spectra	1,2
Discus-E	44015	37°29'N	73°24'W	Direct. spectra	1,2
Discus-C	44023	37°32'N	74°23'W	Direct. spectra	1,2
EXP buoy	44024	37°41'N	74°43'W	Nondir. spectra	1,2
MET-3	44020	38°00'N	72°55'W	No spectra	2
NDBC buoy	44004	38°30'N	70°39'W	Nondir. spectra	1,2
NDBC buoy	44012	38°47'N	74°35'W	Nondir. spectra	1,2
C-Man Sta.	CHLV2	36°54'N	75°42'W	Nondir. spectra	1
C-Man Sta.	DSLN7	35°12'N	75°18'W	Nondir. spectra	1,2

[1] Data used for SWADE area winds in Figure 2.
[2] Data used for altimeter wind speed comparisons.

Model Data

Coarse-gridded National Meteorological Center (NMC) wind fields have been interpolated and regridded on a high-resolution 0.3-deg latitude by 0.5-deg longitude regional-domain grid using an objective interpolation

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[1] For convenience, symbols and abbreviations are listed in the notation (Appendix G).
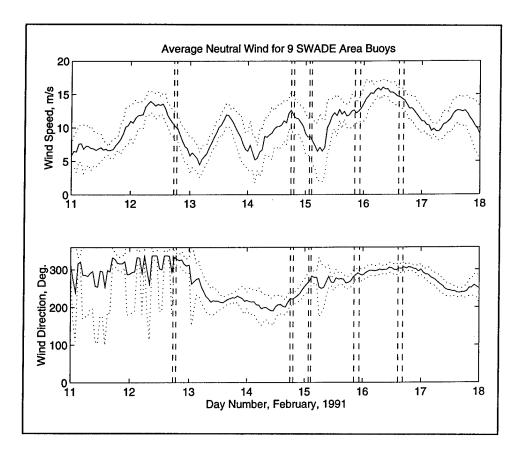
Figure 2.   Average 10-m neutral wind speed (upper panel) and average
wind direction (lower panel) with standard deviations (dotted
curves) for the nine platforms listed in Table 1 during the St.
Valentine's data collection period. The vertical dashed lines
define the radar flight times. The boundary layer model used
is the Large and Pond (1981) model

scheme (a conditional relaxation method) incorporating SWADE buoy
data and, with lower weighting, ship reports (Gemmill 1991). In the
course of the analysis procedure, the lowest-level NMC winds are reduced
to surface, 10-m-level winds via a boundary-layer model. The NMC sur-
face wind fields are shown in Appendix B for the StV period.

The current fields reported here are from the U.S. Navy Operational
Gulf Stream Forecast System (NOGUFS). NOGUFS routinely provides
analyses and forecasts of the current field using an eddy-resolving model
incorporating optimally interpolated drifting buoy data and satellite ther-
mal infrared sea-surface temperature and radar altimeter sea-surface topog-
raphy data (Fox, Carnes, and Mitchell 1991). These surface current fields
for 14-16 February are shown in Appendix C.

3 ROWS Data

ROWS Technique

The NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center's Radar Ocean Wave Spectrometer (ROWS) is a 14-GHz pulse compression radar that was initially developed as an aircraft test bed instrument for a potential satellite wave measurement system (Jackson, Walton, and Baker 1985; Jackson, Walton, and Peng 1985; Jackson 1987; Jackson 1991). Until recently, when automatic mode switching was implemented (cf. Vandemark et al. 1994a,b), the radar would have to be manually cycled between its two measurement modes: a 'spectrometer' mode and an 'altimeter' mode. Each instrument mode employs a different antenna to accomplish a specific measurement task.

In the spectrometer ('S') mode (Figure 3), a small rotary antenna whose optical axis is inclined to 16 deg from the vertical is used to measure the two-dimensional, directional reflectivity spectrum of the sea surface. At small incidence angles, the surface radar reflectivity variations are mainly due to geometrical tilting of small-scale, specularly reflecting wave facets by the underlying dominant waves. For wind speeds in excess of several meters per second, the slope variance of the smaller scale waves is generally large compared to the slope variance of the dominant waves. In this case the reflectivity modulation process can be assumed to be approximately linear on the slopes of the dominant, energy-containing waves. At high aircraft altitudes, the antenna's two-dimensional footprint on the surface is generally large compared to the scale of the dominant waves. (This is the feature of ROWS that makes it directionally sensitive). In the limiting case of large footprints, it can be shown that the wave number spectrum of the surface reflectivity modulation as seen by the radar for any particular azimuth ϕ of the antenna is directly proportional to the directional wave slope spectrum as

$$P_m(k,\phi) = \alpha \, k^2 \, F(k,\phi) \tag{1}$$

where

$$k = \text{(radian) wave number}$$

α = measurement sensitivity coefficient

F = directional wave-height variance, or energy, spectrum

At microwave frequencies, the reflecting wave slope elements are approximately normally and isotropically distributed (Jackson et al. 1992). The sensitivity coefficient can then be expressed simply in terms of a single scalar surface parameter, the diffraction-effective mean square slope (MSS), as

$$\alpha = \left(\sqrt{2\pi} / L_y\right) \; \left(\cot\theta_e + 2\tan\theta_e / MSS\right)^2 \tag{2}$$

where

L_y = lateral, 1-sigma, antenna footprint dimension

θ_e = effective incidence angle

This angle is usually taken to be 13 deg, which is the nominal incidence angle for the maximum power return within the radar range, or elevation angle, data window. The isotropy assumption is generally good to within $\pm$ 10 percent or so in terms of the inferred directional spectrum of the energy-containing waves. However, anisotropy of the small-scale slope elements can be accounted for by using the MSS in Equation 2,

$$1 / MSS \rightarrow 0.5\left[\cos^2(\phi - \phi_1) / MSS_1 + \sin^2(\phi - \phi_1) / MSS_2\right] \tag{3}$$

where the one- and two-subscripted MSSs are the principal mean square slope components, and where ϕ_1 is the major axis direction. The slope anisotropy aspect ratio, $R = MSS_2/MSS_1$, may range from a low of $R \approx 0.8$ in strongly wind-driven cases to the isotropic limit of $R = 1$ in cases of low and variable winds (Jackson et al. 1992). The major axis direction generally lies close to the local wind direction.

Assuming the linear, deep-water, gravity-wave dispersion relationship, viz., $f = (gK/2\pi)^{1/2}$

where

f = frequency in hertz

K = wave number in cycles per meter

g = acceleration of gravity

Equation 1 can be rewritten for the directional height, or energy spectrum, in the frequency domain,

$$E(f,\phi) = (\pi\alpha f)^{-1} P_m(K,\phi)$$ (4)

The energy spectrum E is defined so that the significant wave height SWH,

$$SWH \equiv 4 E_0^{1/2}$$ (5)

where the wave height variance $E_0 = \iint E(f,\phi)df d\phi$. Normally, ROWS is operated at altitudes between 5 km and 10 km. The half-power antenna footprint dimensions are then of the order of 350-700 m in azimuth and 750-1,500 m in surface range. The combination of the finite sample window in surface range and azimuth and the finite azimuth swept out during the system integration time results in directional and wave number resolutions, respectively, on the order of 30 deg or better and 20 percent or better for waves shorter than 200 m. Statistical stability requires the averaging of spectra from a number of antenna rotations. Usually 10 rotations are averaged. When the spectra are symmetrized by averaging the spectral estimates 180 deg apart in azimuth, the resulting directional spectrum estimates have 40 degrees of freedom per elementary wave number and direction band.

Ideally, the *MSS* components and sensitivity coefficient α would be computed from the average power received in the spectrometer mode. However, because of the steep incidence angle (16 deg) and the relatively narrow elevation beam width (10 deg) of the antenna, the spectrometer mode power return is quite sensitive to aircraft altitude and antenna pointing errors, and so reliable estimates of the *MSS* and sensitivity coefficient are not easily obtainable in this system mode. This is one reason why the system is switched intermittently to the altimeter ('A') mode (Figure 3). This mode uses a relatively broad-beam antenna; hence the return power is relatively insensitive to aircraft altitude and antenna alignment errors. Estimation of the *MSS* parameter and the surface wind speed from the ROWS altimeter mode data is discussed in Chapter 4.

SWADE Mission

In SWADE, ROWS was operated on a small, twin-engine, T-39 training jet (Figure 4). The aircraft has a maximum altitude of about 12 km and a range of about 3 hr (about 2,200 km). Most of the SWADE flights reported here were at a constant standard pressure altitude of 7,625 m. The aircraft is less stable than the larger platforms used previously, and aircraft pitch, roll, and yaw motions affect the data reported here to an extent that has not been well determined. One effect of the aircraft motions is to cause an error in the assumed azimuth of the antenna pointing of the order of *yaw angle + (antenna rotation axis tilt) X cot* θ_e where θ_e is the nominal incidence angle. To the first order, this will not affect the measurement of mean wave directions from the symmetrized spectra, but it will
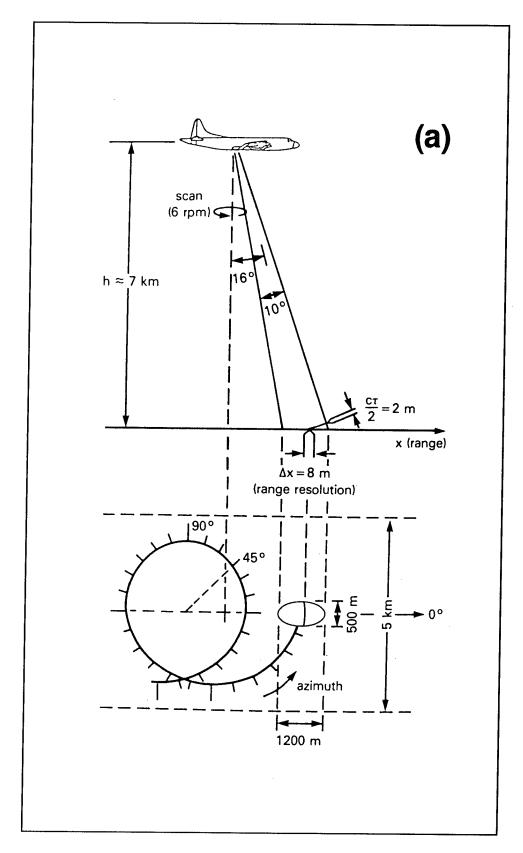
Figure 3. Radar Ocean Wave Spectrometer (ROWS) measurement geometry, (a) spectrometer ('S') mode (Continued)
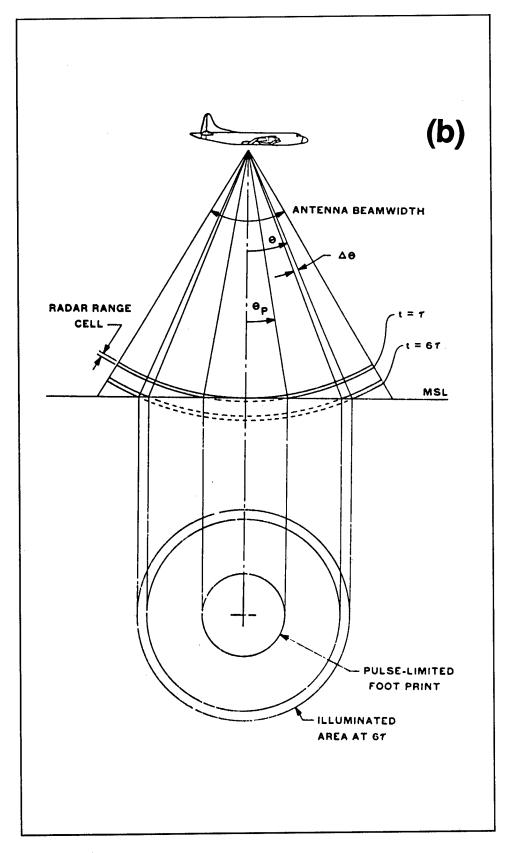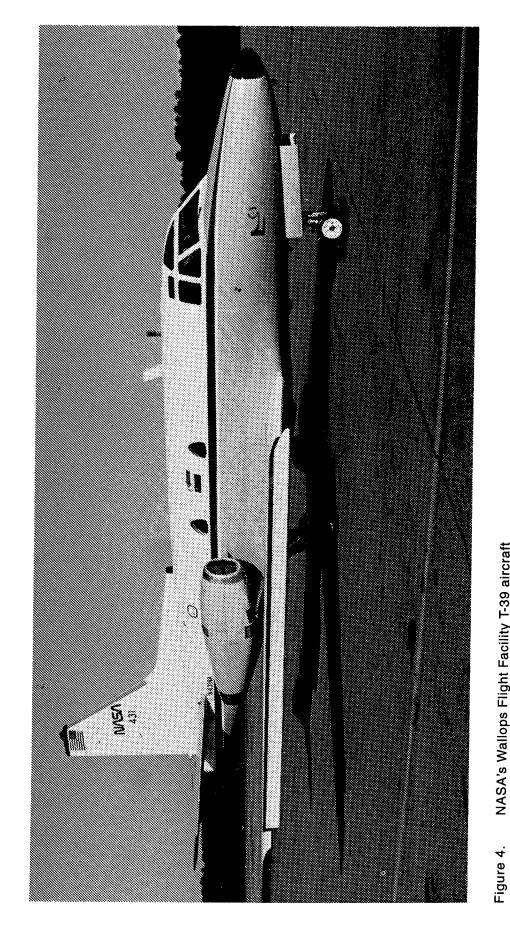
Figure 3.   (b) altimeter ('A') mode (Concluded)

Figure 4.   NASA's Wallops Flight Facility T-39 aircraft

broaden the apparent directional spreading beyond that associated with the finite directional resolution of the system.

For SWADE, ROWS was configured with a new PC-based data acquisition system that could store up to 2.5 hr of 10-ns-sampled, 100-Hz pulse-return data on a single video cassette tape (Exabyte recording system; cf. Ward 1992). Recording resolution was eight bits and the frame size was 1,024 bytes. The pulse return data occupy the first 700 bytes of the frame; the remainder of the frame is reserved for housekeeping data. Unfortunately, it was not possible to implement automatic navigation data logging-in time for the experiment. Hence, all navigation data had to be hand-logged and flight lines and file locations manually reconstructed post-flight from the radar log, pilot's flight plan, and other sources.

In all, 17 ROWS/T-39 data flights were made between 22 January and 25 March, 1991. The dates and times of these flights are given in Table 2. Selected data from 13 of these flights have been processed; but, because adequate scaling data for the 11 February flight are lacking, data from only 12 flights are presented here. These include data from five flights in the StV period (12-16 February) and from seven flights in the IOP-3 period (27 February - 7 March). Only a small fraction of the total amount of data recorded could be processed owing to time and funding limitations. The data presented herein represent a survey of the data for each flight consisting of some 10-20 S-mode files and 5-10 A-mode files per flight. The S-mode data were processed as 100- or 150-s subfiles of the original data files, which are typically 3-5 min in length. The 100-s record lengths can correspond to anywhere between 15 km and 30 km of flight track, depending on the aircraft ground speed. The A-mode data, as a rule, were processed in 10-s subfiles. These files were generally recorded alternately with the S-mode data so as to provide scaling coefficients for the S-mode data as discussed in Chapter 4. The reconstructed flight lines accompanying the ROWS spectra in Appendix E are simplified versions of actual ground tracks which are meant only to establish the overall flight pattern. Thus, turning maneuvers, special flight patterns over buoys, and reverse courses are not shown on these maps.

SWADE Data Processing

Data processing consisted of three stages, as shown in Figure 5.

a. Preprocessing. The QUICKBASIC program PREROWS2 (Vaughn 1993) is used to (1) generate tapescans (Exabyte logs) of the flight data tapes, (2) determine the 0 deg antenna shaft encoder bit change record location, and (3) assure data quality. The Exabyte logs are used together with radar logs of navigation and file data to generate a list of files with starting frame locations for processing (N*.ASC files, * = date). The selected S-mode and A-mode data sequences (or subfiles) are then read by

Table 2
ROWS Flight Summary

Date (1991)	Hours (LST) (UT - 5)	No. Spectra Processed	Remarks
Jan 22	14:20-16:10	None	Poor ancillary data
Feb 11	15:45-17:30	5	Unscaled spectra
Feb 12	12:05-14:00	11	
Feb 14 #1	12:20-14:31	15	Start St. Valentine's
Feb 14 #2	20:10-22:00	11	
Feb 15	15:12-17:53	19	
Feb 16	09:10-11:55	22	End St. Valentine's
Feb 27	18:15-20:30	9	Start IOP-3 flights
Feb 28	14:15-17:27	18	
Mar 02	15:27-18:30	10	
Mar 04	16:10-18:45	18	
Mar 05	11:43-14:14	11	SWADE priority day
Mar 06	14:02-15:38	7	
Mar 07 #1	16:40-19:40	11	
Mar 07 #2	22:00-00:20	None	End IOP-3 flights
Mar 11	17:25-18:57	None	
Mar 25	10:50-12:30	None	

PREROWS2 and transferred to hard disk and stored as 10-MB (S-mode) and 1-MB (A-mode) files.

b. Processing. The selected data files on hard disk are input to the C programs SAXALTD (A-mode data) and SAXSPEC (S-mode data), the original versions of which were developed for SAXON-FPN data (Jackson et al. 1993). The output of SAXSPEC (Version 2.1) consists of ASCII hard disk files (*.SRF files) of peak-value scaled directional modulation spectra P_m and ancillary data listings of the processing statistics (*.LST files). These files, along with the A-mode output files (*.OUT files), have resided at the WFF SWADE Data Archive Center since early 1993 in flight day directories (where the file tags * = local times).

Some routines in SAXSPEC differ from the routines described in Jackson, Walton, and Baker (1985) and Jackson, Walton, and Peng (1985).

ROWS' DATA PROCESSING FLOW
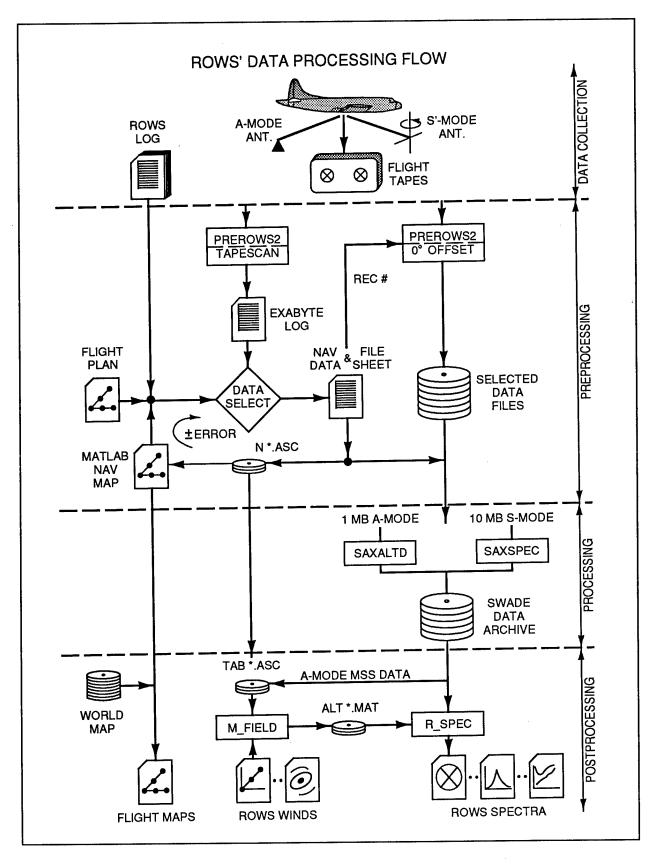
Figure 5.   ROWS data processing flow

(1) Range data window: Inner and outer incidence angle limits are 7 deg and 20 deg, but the window may be smaller if the 10 percent of peak power points lie interior to this interval.

(2) Delay time to surface range transformation: The 10-ns time bins are rebinned into 8-m surface range bins using a 16-m boxcar smoother.

(3) Azimuth sectors: An 18-deg sector is chosen for the basic pulse integration (50 pulse average). The spectra for these sectors are then interpolated and output in 12-deg azimuth bins in a true north-oriented reference frame.

(4) Average power estimation and normalization: The average power envelope estimate for any sector is given by a model function fit based on a skewed normal quasi-specular scattering cross section. Four parameters are derived from the average power envelope fit using a third degree polynomial approximation to the logarithm of the return power for each sector. While the fit is generally excellent, there is some low-frequency content that is not accounted for, and so some of these data (particularly for low sea states) may have a fair amount of 'dc' component. From the cubic fit parameters we may recover pitch and roll and surface slope distribution skewness (the last only if external altitude data are available), surface mean square slope, and principal axis direction. The fit parameters are listed in the last four columns of the sector summary data in the *.LST files. After power normalization, the usual Hanning window is applied to the wave modulation signal.

(5) Noise background subtraction: The average value of the spectrum in the last 32 bins is used as a preliminary estimate of the noise background.

The surface range window for FFT is 2,048 m. When this exceeds the actual range extent of the pulse return data, the record outside of the actual data window (e.g., as determined by the 7-deg and 20-deg points) is padded with zeros. Accordingly, the spectral resolution will generally be less than that indicated by the elementary wave number bin size and there will be some correlation overlap between spectral estimates. For data compression, the spectrum data are block averaged in logarithmically spaced intervals to produce 35 output bins. In the frequency domain, the rebinned data range from $f = 0.055$ Hz to $f = 0.31$ Hz.

c. *Postprocessing*. All successfully executed A- and S-mode output files for each flight are ordered sequentially as Smmdd.nn and Ammdd.nn files, where mmdd = month and day and nn = file sequence number. The header data for the *.SRF files are stripped and the peak normalization constant is inserted into the (1,1) matrix element of the 36 X 31 arrays (row 1 = azimuth in degrees, column 1 = frequency in Hz). The navigation and file tables N*.ASC (* = mmdd) are augmented with A-mode altitude and *MSS* data and stored as TAB*.ASC files.

All postprocessing software is written in MATLAB for PC:

(1) The program M_FIELD reads TAB*.ASC data and interpolates A-mode MSS and U_{10n} data to the S-mode file locations as described in Chapter 4. The output data for each flight are stored as ALF*.MAT files (* = mmdd). Table 3 describes these data files.

Table 3 ALF*.MAT File Contents	
Column	**Data Element**
1	File sequence number
2	Month
3	Day
4	Hours, UT
5	Minutes
6	Latitude, degrees north
7	Longitude, minus degrees west
8	Aircraft altitude, m
9	Aircraft ground speed, m/s
10	Aircraft heading, degrees true
11	Neutral 10-m wind speed U_{10n}, m/s
12	Mean square slope (MSS) parameter
13	Minimum degrees of freedom

(2) The program R_SPEC reads the S*.nn (* = mmdd) header-stripped spectral matrices and scales the spectra using the interpolated MSS data in ALF*.MAT. A correction factor, FAC = 4*delx*256 (delx = 8 m) is applied to the spectra to correct a scaling error in SAXSPEC. The routine SENS is then called on to compute the sensitivity coefficient _ from the MSS data according to Equations 1-3. For all data except the StV data, an isotropic MSS is used; for the StV data, the anisotropic form (Equation 3) is used. In SENS the measured MSS is subject to a correction based on the difference between the MSS versus wind speed relationship in the original ROWS training data set for wave spectra (Jackson, Walton, and Baker 1985) and the altimeter wind speed versus MSS relationships (Equation 10). The correction is

$$MSS_\alpha = 1.22\ MSS_{Measured} - 0.007 \tag{6}$$

R_SPEC performs several other postprocessing functions as well, including a final noise background subtraction and a point target response correction. The noise background is approximated by a smoothed estimate of the minimum in the measured directional power spectrum as a function of frequency. The point target response is taken to be the same as in Jackson, Walton, and Baker (1985) and Jackson, Walton, and Peng (1985). Most of the data processed in this manner exhibit f^{-4} power-law behavior in the rear-face region of the wind-sea spectrum out to 0.2 Hz or more (ca. 40-m wavelength), whereafter a spectral roll-off occurs (cf. Figure 12, panel 'd'). To account for this roll-off, the observed nondirectional spectrum for $f > 0.2$ Hz is replaced by a f^{-4} power-law spectrum with a spectral constant that is determined by the value of the observed spectrum at 0.2 Hz.

R_SPEC generates polar contour and scaled nondirectional spectra plots by calling on the routine S_PLOT, a modified version of the plotting software used for buoy spectra. R_SPEC also contains a directional analysis package that computes the mean direction and directional spreading as a function of frequency (see Chapter 5). R_SPEC outputs the array DEL*.MAT (or the array EPS*.MAT for the anisotropic StV data) containing derived spectral products as shown in Table 4. Chapter 5 discusses these data products in more detail.

(3) The program WA_FIELD reads DEL*.MAT (or EPS*.MAT) files and plots "Custer" diagrams of the wave field and other derived data products as discussed in Chapter 5.

Table 4
DEL*.MAT and EPS*.MAT File Contents

Column(s)	Data Element
1-13	Alpha vector as described in Table 3
14	Cutoff frequency, f_min
15	Peak frequency of nondirectional spectrum, f_pknd
16	Peak period, 1/f_pknd
17	Mean period, T_bar
18	Peak of nondirectional spectrum, s_pknd
19	Confidence interval for peak, ci_pk
20	Significant wave height of tail patch region, Hs_tail
21	Significant wave height, Hs (SWH)
22	Direction at peak of directional spectrum, phi_pk
23	Peak direction at f_pknd, phi_pknd
24	Mean direction, phi_bar, according to WAM Group definition
25	Spread parameter, sig_phi, according to WAM Group definition
26-35	Blanks (NaNs)
36-70	Frequency, f
71-105	Fully scaled nondirectional spectrum, s_nd
106-140	Mean direction versus f from 2nd harmonic phase, dirs(:,4)
141-175	Half power full-width directional spread from s2 parm dirs(:,5)

4 ROWS Winds

ROWS was switched periodically from the instrument's spectrometer ('S') mode to the instrument's nadir-looking altimeter ('A') mode to collect data on:

a. Significant wave height (SWH) and wind speed (U_{10n}).

b. Mean square slope (*MSS*) for scaling the ROWS spectra.

c. Mean altitude (H) to correct the aircraft pressure altitude.

The A-mode data takes were generally around 1 min in duration as compared to 3-5 min for typical S-mode data takes. As a rule, the data takes for the two modes were alternated, or interleaved (see flight line maps in Appendix E). A problem with the triggering of the digitizer has precluded the recovery of meaningful SWH estimates from the wave form data in the leading edge region. Thus, wave height data for SWADE are only available via the scaled ROWS spectra.

A total of 88 selected A-mode files have been prepared for the 12 processed SWADE flights listed in Table 2. The locations of these files are shown on the flight line maps in Appendix E by 'X's' and the files are denoted 'A1', 'A2', etc. in the chronological order of the data takes. As a rule, the A-mode data were processed as 10-s subfiles, one subfile per file of raw data, using a four-parameter wave form fit to the average pulse return data as described below.

Wave Form Fits

As shown in Figure 3, the altimeter mode uses a relatively broad beamwidth (32.4 deg) fixed, nadir-pointing antenna to collect surface information beneath the aircraft. The antenna pattern in the main lobe is approximately Gaussian. The ROWS pulse shape is also approximately Gaussian. Since the sea surface slope distribution is quasi-isotropic and approximately normally distributed, it follows from the quasi-specular scattering model that the average altimeter power return wave form $W(t)$ is given by (Jackson et al. 1992):

$$W(t) = (A/2) \ \left\{1 + erf\left[(t - t_o)/2^{1/2} \sigma\right]\right\} \ \exp\left[-(t - t_o)/\tau\right] \tag{7}$$

where A is the wave form amplitude, t_o is the time of return from the mean sea surface (epoch), and σ and τ are the leading and trailing edge wave form parameters, respectively, given by

$$\sigma = \left[(SWH/2c)^2 + \sigma_p^2\right]^{1/2} \tag{8a}$$

$$\tau = (H/c)\left(1/MSS + 1/\sigma_b^2\right)^{-1} \tag{8b}$$

where c is the speed of light, H is the aircraft altitude, and σ_p and σ_b are respectively the 1-sigma radar pulse width and antenna beam width parameters as given in Jackson et al. (1992).

Processing of A-mode data consists of: (a) bias estimation and subtraction, (b) epoch (t_o) estimation and pulse realignment based on 50-pulse (0.5-s) averages, and (c) four-parameter iterative least square fitting of the model wave form (Equation 7) to 2.5-s averages of the realigned pulse returns, where the fit is limited to nadir angles ≤ 15 deg. The output of SAXALTD consists of four estimates each of the MSS, the epoch t_o (or mean altitude H), and the SWH for every processed 10-s subfile. Output also includes wind speed estimates, which are derived from the MSS estimates according to the algorithm described below. If no inordinate fluctuation in any of the fit parameters occurs, the four values of mean altitude, wind speed, and MSS are averaged and entered into the table TAB*.ASC (* = mmdd) as discussed in Chapter 3.

Figure 6 is an example of the altimeter average wave form data (10-s averages) from the March 2 flight. The power in the tail region is seen to be well approximated by exponential decay as predicted by the Gaussian specular point model (Equation 7). A linear log-power dependence on delay time holds for nearly 20 dB of dynamic range.

A posteriori wave form fit correction

Direct wind speed comparisons with the SWADE buoys (see below) show a significant bias in the ROWS wind speeds inferred from the SAXALTD full wave form fit MSS data. A study of the ROWS altimeter-mode wave form data from the recent HIRES mission (Vandemark et al. 1994b) shows that there is a bias between the MSS inferred from the full wave form fits and the MSS inferred by a fitting of the wave form trailing edge region

Altimeter mode SWADE 0302/1608

Slope -0.016

MSS   0.034

U10   9.338

Altimeter mode SWADE 0302/1625

Slope -0.015

MSS   0.039

U10   11.41
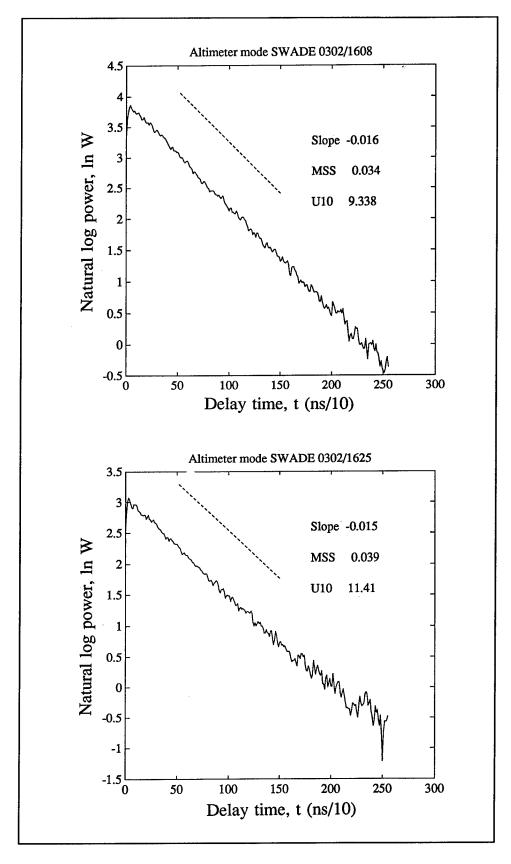
Figure 6.   Examples of altimeter mode average wave form data

alone.[1] Figure 7 is a scatterplot of these data. A linear regression of MSS from the tail region fit on the full wave form fit MSS gives

$$MSS_{Tail\ Fit} = 1.0523\ MSS_{Full\ Fit} + 0.00022 \qquad (9)$$
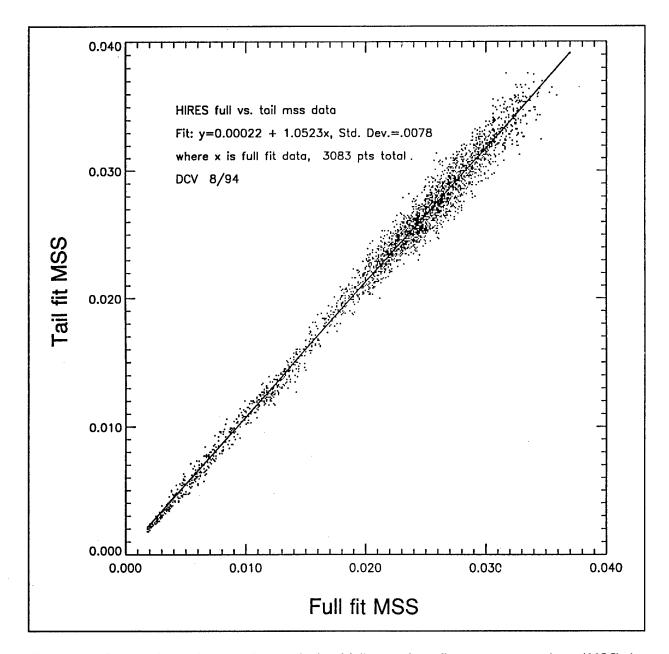
Figure 7.   Scatterplot and regression analysis of full wave form fit mean square slope (MSS) data versus tail region wave form fit MSS data

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[1]   Personal communication, D. Vandemark, NASA, Wallops Flight Facility, Wallops Island, Virginia.

The scaled spectra and wind speed data presented in Appendix E are based on SAXALTD full wave form fit MSS. These stastical buoy wind speeds have been corrected according to Equation 9.

Wind speed algorithm

For wind/wave conditions not too far removed from equilibrium, the MSS can be expressed in terms of the 10-m-level neutral equivalent wind speed U_{10n} according to the quasi-empirical relationships found in Jackson et al. (1992). The ROWS wind speed algorithm consists of the inverse of these relationships, viz.,

$$U_{10n} = \exp(100 * MSS - 1.1), \qquad 0 \le MSS \le 0.028 \qquad (10a)$$

$$U_{10n} = (MSS - 0.013) / 0.0023, \qquad MSS \ge 0.028 \qquad (10b)$$

Although the relationships of Equation 10 were developed from ROWS aircraft data alone, they provide excellent predictions for satellite altimeter wind speed data (Jackson et al. 1992).

Interpolation Fields

As discussed in Chapter 3, ROWS spectra in SWADE are scaled using A-mode estimates of the MSS. Because the A-mode data do not always neatly bracket the S-mode data, a simple linear interpolation between adjacent data points is generally not possible. Instead, two-dimensional least squares interpolating polynomials of the MSS and U_{10n} are constructed as functions of latitude and longitude using the A-mode data input from TAB*.ASC. The degree of the fit polynomial is taken to be the highest possible consistent with the limited number of A-mode data points. The interpolating polynomials are then evaluated at the S-mode locations (principally for the MSS scaling data) and at the buoy locations (principally for wind speed comparisons). The fits are accomplished using the MATLAB program M_FIELD. The interpolated MSS and U_{10n} data at S-mode file locations are output in the MATLAB data file ALF*.MAT.

Evaluation of the 2-D fit polynomials at the A-mode locations shows a fit error of at most 1 ms^{-1} rms in terms of wind speed. Thus we expect a fairly good representation of the local MSS at the S-mode file locations, except perhaps in cases of rapid wind/wave field changes (for example, near currents); or, in cases where there are only a few A-mode data points to define the field; or, in cases where the S-mode and A-mode files are geographically widely separated. Figure 8 shows the constructed fields of altimeter-mode U_{10n} for the four StV flights between 14 and 16 February. The highest degree fit polynomial is $n = 3$ (for 16 February; total of 11 data points) while the lowest is $n = 1$ (for 14 February, flight No. 2; five
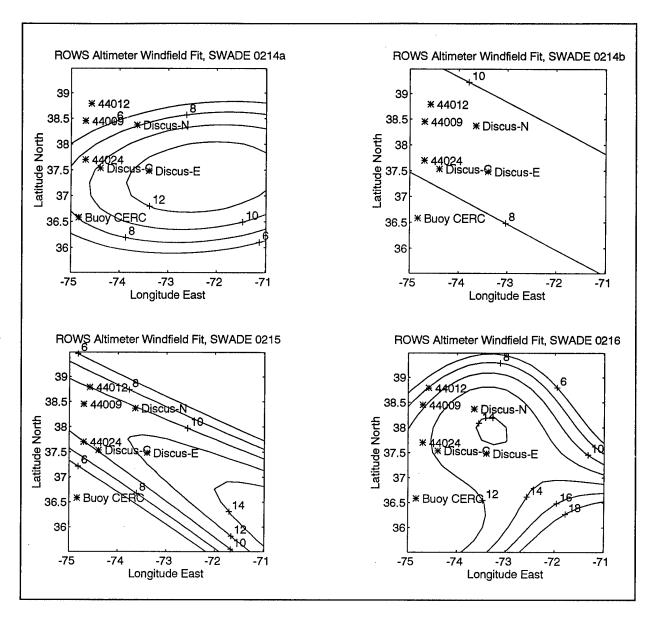
Figure 8. Fields of ROWS altimeter-mode inferred 10-m neutral wind speeds for the four St. Valentine's flights from least-square polynomial fits to the observations

valid data points). Note that in these plots, the uncorrected full wave form fit *MSS* data have been used.

ROWS Versus Buoy Winds

Indirect wind speed comparisons

Figure 9 compares the altimeter-inferred U_{10n} from the interpolation fields of Figure 8 with buoy wind speeds. The altimeter U_{10n} evaluated at

ROWS vs Buoy Winds, 14–16 Feb., 1991

(upper panel) Cardone Sfc–Layer Model
No. Hourly Buoy Obs. Averaged = 3

x = DISCUS–C
* = DISCUS–E
+ = BUOY CERC
o = DISCUS–N

no_points = 14
bias = −0.2442
std_err = 1.614

ROWS vs Buoy Winds, 14–16 Feb., 1991

(lower panel) Large & Pond Model U10n
No. Hourly Buoy Obs. Averaged = 3

x = DISCUS–C
* = DISCUS–E
+ = BUOY CERC
o = DISCUS–N

no_points = 14
bias = 0.07434
std_err = 1.485
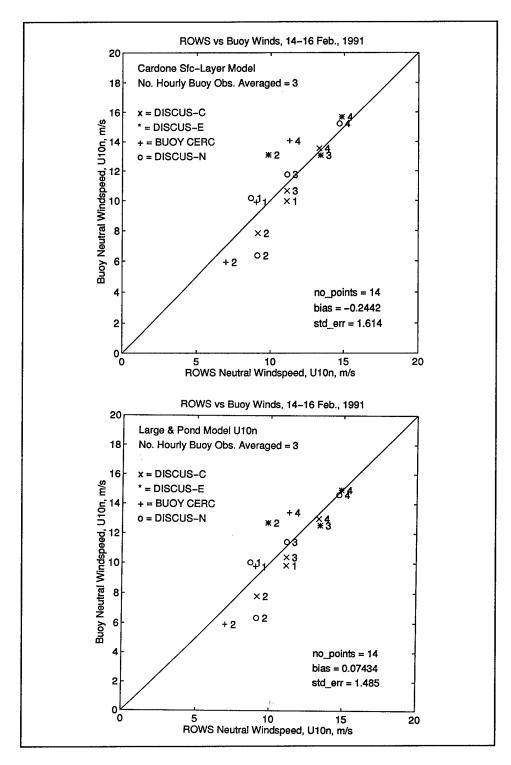
Figure 9. Buoy 10-m neutral winds versus ROWS-inferred 10-m neutral winds for the four St. Valentine's flights. The ROWS winds are from the corrected wave form fit interpolation fields corresponding to the fields of Figure 8. The buoy winds are conputed using the Cardone (a) and the Large and Pond (b) boundary layer models. The numbers 1-4 indicate the ROWS flight number.

the buoy locations are compared to the mean buoy U_{10n} observed within ± 1 hr of the nominal flight time. The buoy U_{10n} are computed according to the Large and Pond (1981) boundary layer model using the buoy-measured air-sea temperature differences. The agreement is seen to be generally quite good. For StV flight No. 4 on 16 February, the flight with the highest degree polynomial fit, the agreement is better than ± 1 ms^{-1} for the three SWADE buoys, Discus-N, Discus-E, and Discus-C. For all flights there is excellent agreement with centrally located Discus-C. The data contain only one outlier, the CERC point for flight No. 2. In this case the winds were low and variable and the CERC buoy lay fairly well outside the low degree fit region of the radar flight plan. If this point (and the Discus-E null data point for flight No. 1) are excluded from the comparison, then 14 data points remain; these show a bias of + 0.8 ms^{-1} (buoy minus ROWS wind speed) and a standard error of 1.8 ms^{-1} over the observed range of ~ 7-15 ms^{-1}. We note again that the comparison here for the four flight days of the StV event is based on the uncorrected full wave form fit *MSS* data. If the wave form fit correction (Equation 9) were used, the bias might be reduced somewhat (see below).

Direct wind speed comparisons (all data)

ROWS-inferred U_{10n} for the 12 SWADE flights in the period 12 February-7 March are compared to buoy wind speeds in Figures 10 and 11. The comparisons are made for ROWS-buoy separation distances (proximity circles) of 10 km, 25 km, and 50 km. The temporal window in each case is taken to be the ROWS data take time ± 0.55 h. If two hourly buoy observations fall within this window, these observations are averaged. In all cases the in situ neutral wind speeds are computed according to the Large and Pond (1981) boundary layer model.

Figure 10 compares the full wave form fit ROWS U_{10n} estimates (as output from SAXALTD) to in situ U_{10n} estimates for the 50-km proximity circle case. The comparison consists of 49 "hits" on 9 different platforms. These platforms are listed in Table 1. The ROWS full wave form fit U_{10n} are seen to be biased low with respect to the buoy U_{10n} by about 1.5 ms^{-1}. Figure 11a shows the same comparison, but for the ROWS *MSS* data corrected according to Equation 9. With this correction, the bias in inferred U_{10n} is reduced to -0.5 ms^{-1} (ROWS - buoy). The linear regression of the in situ U_{10n} on the ROWS U_{10n} is now very close to the line of perfect agreement. Going to the smaller separation distances (Figures 11b and 11c), one sees a decrease in the standard deviation from 2 ms^{-1} in the 50-km case to 1.8 ms^{-1} in the 25-km case (22 hits) and 1 ms^{-1} in the 10-km case (7 hits). These standard deviation errors are comparable to those found in satellite altimeter versus buoy wind speed comparisons involving similar temporal and spatial offsets (Dobson, Monaldo, and Goldhirsh 1987).
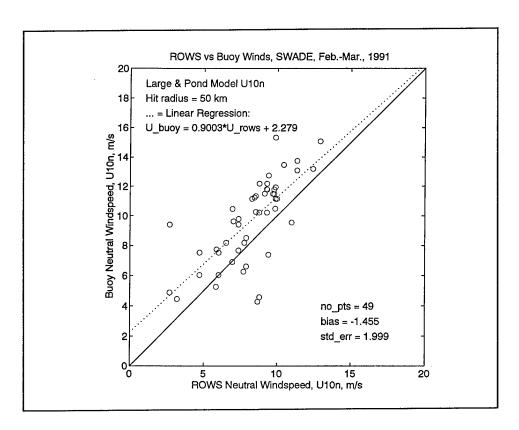
Figure 10. Buoy neutral wind speeds (Large and Pond model winds) versus ROWS uncorrected full wave form fit neutral wind speeds for a 50-km proximity circle
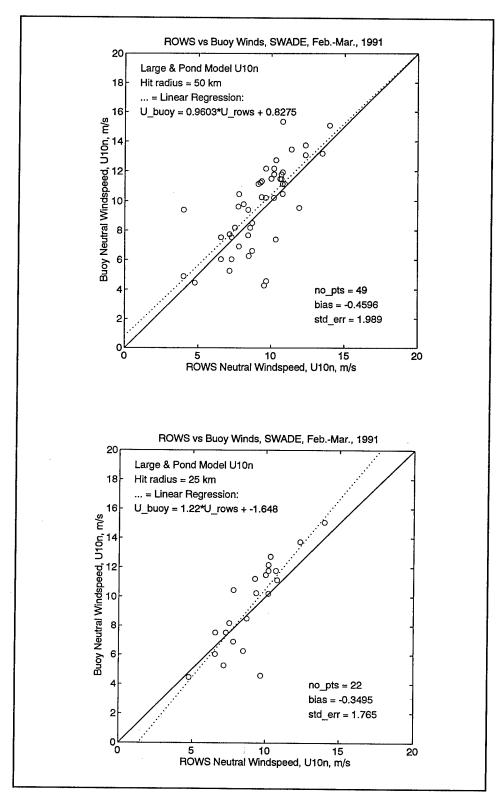
Figure 11. Buoy neutral wind speeds (Large and Pond model winds) versus ROWS wind speeds from corrected wave form fit data: (a) 50-km proximity circle, (b) 25-km proximity circle (Continued)

ROWS vs Buoy Winds, SWADE, Feb.-Mar., 1991

Large & Pond Model U10n
Hit radius = 10 km
... = Linear Regression:
U_buoy = 1.237*U_rows + -2.659

no_pts = 7
bias = 0.7387
std_err = 1.006

Buoy Neutral Windspeed, U10n, m/s

ROWS Neutral Windspeed, U10n, m/s
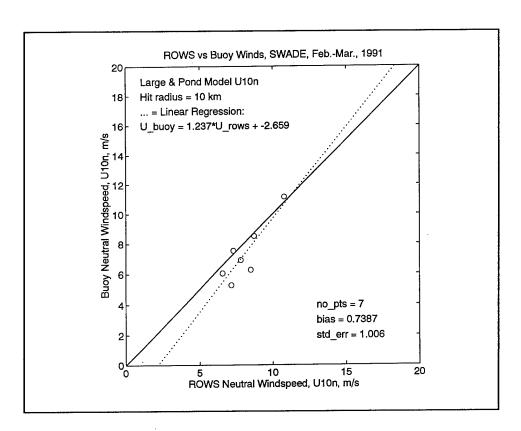
Figure 11. (c) 10-km proximity circle (Concluded)

5   ROWS Spectra

Appendix E contains ROWS directional and nondirectional spectra plots for the 12 T-39 flights in the period 12 February - 7 March, 1991. The appendix also contains flight line maps, navigation and file location data sheets, and weather maps (Appendix F) for each flight day. The spectra are plotted in the same format as the buoy spectra in Appendix D. This has resulted in some loss of detail in many of the spectra because of the high frequency range of the plots (outermost frequency ring = 0.4 Hz). For the SWADE priority day (March 5), however, plots with a maximum frequency of 0.2 Hz have been included to permit a better display of the complex modal structure in the energy-containing region of these spectra. All spectra in Appendix E have been produced using an isotropic sensitivity coefficient α based on interpolated A-mode MSS data as discussed in Chapters 3 and 4.

Each directional spectrum plot in Appendix E is accompanied by a wind speed (W) and a peak and mean direction (pd and md) estimate; each non-directional spectrum plot is accompanied by a wave height (Hs) and a peak period (Tp) estimate. The wind speed estimates are from the A-mode interpolation fields of neutral wind speed as discussed in Chapter 4. The spectral peak direction is the directional maximum at the peak frequency f_pknd of the nondirectional spectrum as obtained from a parabolic fit to the binned data. Similarly, f_pknd is obtained by parabolic fit to the non-directional spectrum peak and the peak period is taken as $Tp = 1/f\_pknd$. The mean direction and mean period are computed from the binned spectrum data according to the definitions

$$\bar{\phi} = a\tan\left(<\sin\phi> / <\cos\phi>\right) \tag{11a}$$

$$\bar{T} = <f^{-1}> \tag{11b}$$

where the moment $<...> \equiv E_o^{-1} \iint(...) \, E(f,\phi)dfd\phi$. A low-frequency cutoff is imposed to ensure that spurious low-frequency content in the measured spectrum does not corrupt these estimates. All these derived products are contained in the DEL*.MAT files as shown in Table 4. Note that the peak period and direction data for the buoy spectra in Appendix D are simple bin values as defined in the original S_PLOT program. Thus they cannot be expected to agree with the more precise ROWS values.

Frequency-Direction Plots

Appendix E also contains frequency-direction plots for the four StV flights. The directional analysis consists of the following: After pre-whitening the directional spectrum by multiplying by f^5 and smoothing the data in frequency in the rear-face region, the measured first and second angular harmonics for each frequency band are equated to the corresponding first and second harmonic values of an assumed cosine-power model directional distribution function

$$D(f,\phi) = D_o(s)\Big[\cos\big((\phi - \phi_o)/2\big)\Big]^{2s} \tag{12}$$

where D_o is a normalization constant (cf. Longuet-Higgins, Cartwright, and Smith 1963). Two estimates of the spread parameter, $s \equiv s_\alpha(f)$, and mean direction, $\phi_0 \equiv \phi_{0\alpha}(f)$ ($\alpha = 1,2$) result from equating the first two measured harmonics to the first two harmonics of Equation 12. From the estimated spread parameters, the corresponding half-power directional spreads are calculated according to

$$\Delta\phi = 4a\cos\Big[(1/2)^{1/2s}\Big] \tag{13}$$

The analysis approach was arrived at after testing a number of estimators for the mean direction as a function of frequency. These tests showed the phase angle of the second angular harmonic of the symmetrical radar directional spectrum to be the most stable estimator of mean direction; also, the second harmonic mean direction estimates were found to be very close to the average of the mean direction estimates from two alternative estimators. In the case of the polar-symmetric radar data, a meaningful, nonzero first harmonic can be inferred from the radar angular distribution only if the 180-deg directional ambiguity is removed. For the present analysis, a likely direction of travel is chosen on the basis of meteorology and buoy observations. The radar spectrum is then redefined as being nonzero only in the 180-deg direction band between the absolute minima in the symmetric spectrum in the appropriate half space (see also Jackson, Walton, and Peng (1985)). Restricting the direction band to 180 deg results in an isotropic limit for the first harmonic half-power spread of $\pi/(\pi-2)$, or $\Delta\phi_{iso} = 112.1$ deg.

The mean directions so computed tend to be unstable at higher frequency when the standard isotropic sensitivity is used. Thus for the directional analyses, we use an anisotropic sensitivity based on an anisotropic *MSS* as defined by Equation 3. For the aspect ratios and principal directions, the values given in Table 5 are assumed. The principal axis direction is taken be the average wind direction as represented in Figure 2. The aspect ratios are essentially educated guesses.

Table 5
Assumed Anisotropy for St. Valentine's Data

Flight	Time[1], UT	Direction, ϕ_1	Aspect Ration, R
No. 1 (Feb. 14a)	17:59-19:09 (14 Feb.)	039°	0.85
No. 2 (Feb. 14b)	01:28-02:41 (15 Feb.)	102°	0.95
No. 3 (Feb. 15)	20:34-22:34 (15 Feb.)	102°	0.80
No. 4 (Feb. 16)	14:33-16:27 (16 Feb.)	122°	0.80

[1] Times of first and last S-mode files.

Example Data Products

Figure 12 is an example of the kind of ROWS data products that are available with post-processing. The example file S11 is from the southern leg of the first StV flight on 14 February (see Appendix E flight maps for file locations). Here, the spectrum is represented in both polar (panel 'a') and rectangular forms (panel 'c'). Contouring is logarithmic. The directionally integrated spectrum is given in both linear-linear form (panel 'b') and in log-log form (panel 'd'). Panel 'f' is a frequency-direction plot for the spectrum. Panel 'e' shows the cosine-power model fit to the directional distribution at the spectrum peak.

The spectrum example is for a nearly fully developed sea (Jackson and Jensen 1995). As with most observed unimodal spectra, the directional distribution is well fitted by the model function (Equation 12). From the frequency-direction plot in panel 'f,' it is seen that the mean direction is nearly constant with frequency and equal to 4 deg true azimuth. The directional spreading (which, we note, has not been corrected here for finite system resolution) is about 60 deg at the spectral peak. The first harmonic spreads saturate at the isotropic limit of 112.1 deg around 0.2 Hz. From panel 'd' it is seen that the rear face of the nondirectional spectrum follows a f^4 power law out to about 0.2 Hz, beyond which frequency a spectral roll-off is evident. The f^4 power law behavior in the rear face region is typical of the ROWS data collected in SWADE.

Custer Diagrams

Synoptic views of the wave field in the SWADE area at the times of the four StV flights are presented in Figure 13 in the form of "Custer" diagrams, in which the ROWS and buoy-observed mean wave periods and directions are represented by arrows of various lengths and directions. In
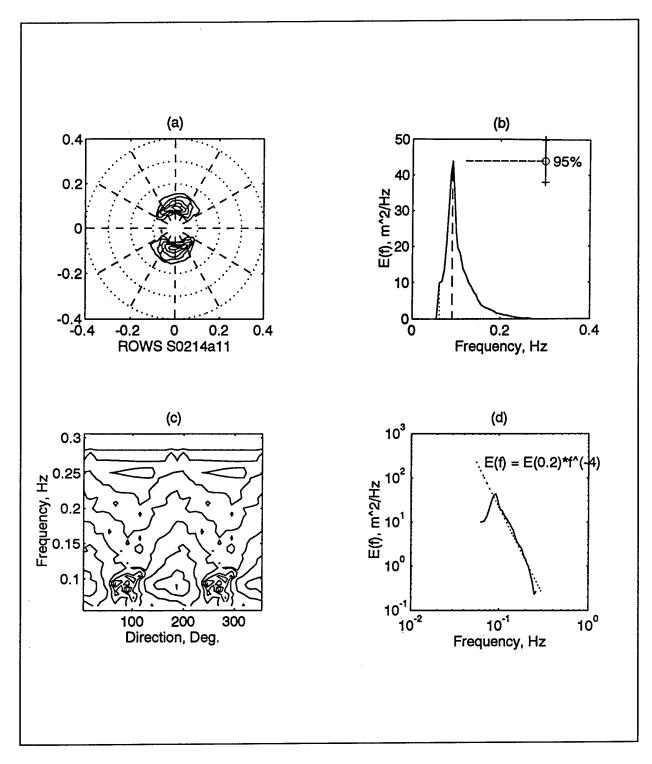
Figure 12. Detailed analysis of ROWS spectrum file S11 for flight No. 1 on 14 February: (a) Polar contour plot of directional energy spectrum, contour levels in 2.5-dB decrements from spectral peak and frequency axis scales in Hz, (b) Nondirectional energy (height-variance) spectrum, with 95-percent confidence interval for peak as indicated, (c) Rectangular contour plot of the directional spectrum with logarithmic contour spacing, (d) Log-log plot of nondirectional height spectrum with f^{-4} power-law (dotted line) (Continued)
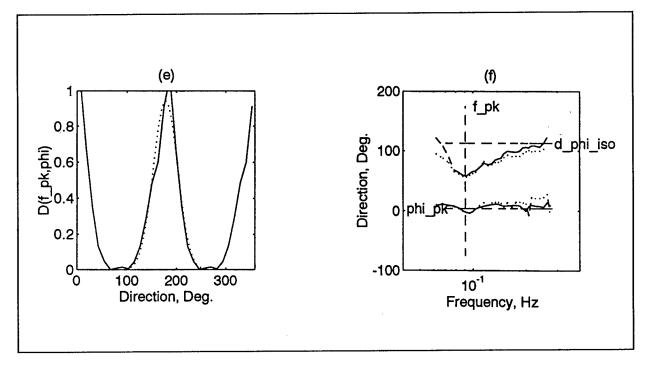
Figure 12. (e) Cosine-power model function fit (dotted curve) to the directional distribution at the peak of the nondirectional spectrum (solid curve), (f) Directional analysis: Lower curves are first (dotted lines) and second (solid line) harmonic phase angles; upper curves are the model function half-power full-widths (dotted line, first harmonic fit; solid line, second harmonic fit). f_pk is the frequency of the peak of the nondirectional spectrum; phi_pk is the peak direction at *f* = f_pk; and d_phi_iso is the isotropic limit for the first-harmonic directional half-power spreading (Concluded)

these figures, the coastline of the southern MAB is idealized as two straight lines, one running north and one south from Cape Henry, VA. The notch in the northern coastline is meant to represent the added fetch area associated with the Delaware Bay. Mean wave directions and periods are computed from the radar and buoy directional spectra according to the definitions in Equation 11.

Fetch-Limited Data

The StV wind-turning event concludes on 16 February with strong, steady northwesterly winds. By the time of the fourth StV flight on the 16th, the wave field has adjusted to the new fetch-limited conditions. The Custer diagram for this flight shows the mean wave vectors on the southern flight leg to be aligned with the mean wind direction of 122 deg (direction *to*). On the northern flight leg, the mean wave directions are rotated some 10-30 deg northward of the wind direction. This may be an effect of the Delaware Bay (Jackson and Jensen 1995).
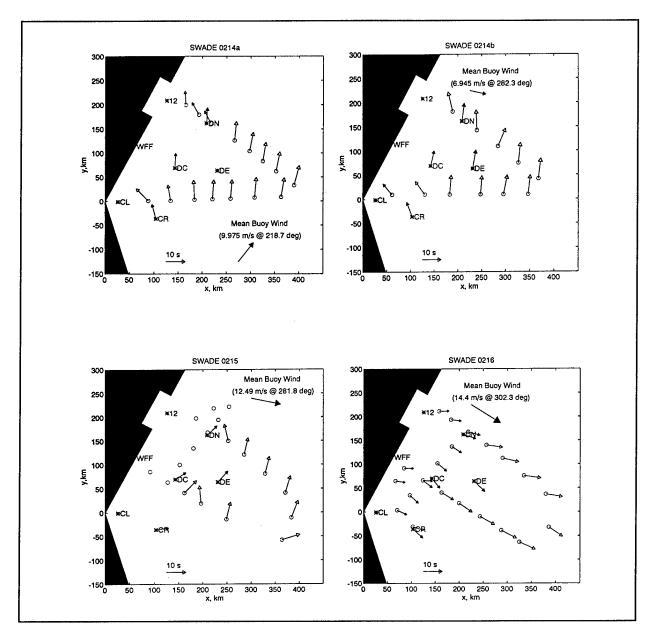
Figure 13. Custer diagrams of the mean wave vectors (mean directions and periods) for the four ROWS St. Valentine's flights (o = radar data; * = buoy data) on a Cartesian map with idealized coastline. The notch in the northern coastline represents an added fetch area associated with the Delaware Bay

In Figure 14, the wave energy and peak frequency for all radar and buoy observations at the time of the fourth StV flight on 16 February are plotted in nondimensional form as a function of the fetch normal to the idealized northern coastline. Data for both frequency and energy show an approach to the Pierson-Moskowitz (PM) limits around the largest observed fetch of about 375 km. These limits are computed assuming a wind speed of $U_{10n} = 13.7$ m/s, which is the mean wind speed for ROWS files S05-12. The buoy and radar data agree fairly well, except near the

SWADE 0216_ E* vs X* All Points

Scaling U10n = 13.46 m/s

___ JONSWAP

_._ Walsh et al. (1989)

... + 25 km fetch

E*_PM

o = Northern Leg

+ = Southern Leg

x = Cross Track Leg

* = Buoy Points

Nondimensional Energy, E*

Nondimensional Normal Fetch, X*

SWADE 0216_ f* vs X* All Points

Scaling U10n = 13.46 m/s

___ JONSWAP

_._ Walsh et al. (1989)

... + 25 km fetch

* = Buoy Points

x = Cross Track Leg

+ = Southern Leg

o = Northern Leg

f*_pm

Nondimensional Frequency, f*

Nondimensional Normal Fetch, X*

Figure 14. Radar and buoy nondimensional energy (upper panel) and peak frequency (lower panel) data versus nondimensional fetch for 16 February 1991 with empirical growth laws. The curve for the extra 25-km fetch is intended to model the possible effect of the added fetch region around the mouth of Delaware Bay

shelf break, where the buoys are relatively high in both energy and frequency compared to the radar observations. The discrepancies here may be due to poor ROWS response in low sea states. They may also be due to wave field variability in the vicinity of the shelf break. However, similar discrepancies have been observed with the SCR[1]; thus, it is quite possible that the buoy data are in error.[2]

Nondimensional fetch, frequency, and energy are given, respectively, by

$$X^* = \left(g / U_{10n}^2\right) X \tag{14a}$$

$$f^* = \left(U_{10n} / g\right) f \tag{14b}$$

$$E^* = \left(g^2 / U_{10n}{}^4\right) E \tag{14c}$$

where $E \equiv SWH^2$. A scaling wind speed of $U_{10n} = 13.7$ m/s is assumed. As seen in Figure 14, the nondimensional energy data agree fairly well with the JONSWAP linear fetch law, $E^* = 1.60 \times 10^{-7} X^*$, but the peak frequency data differ significantly from the JONSWAP fetch law, viz. $f^* = 3.5 X^{*-0.33}$ (Hasselmann et al. 1973). The ROWS data in both energy and frequency are seen to agree better with the modified fetch laws proposed by Walsh et al. (1989), namely, $E^* = 1.86 \times 10^{-7} X^*$ and $f^* = 2.3 X^{*-0.29}$

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[1] Personal communication, E. Walsh, NASA/Wallops Flight Facility, Wallops Island, Virginia. On assignment at the NOAA/ERL Wave Propagation Laboratory, Boulder, CO.

[2] Note in proof: recently reprocessed data for discus E and C show better agreement with the data; however, the buoy wave heights and frequency data remain higher than the ROWS data.

6 Conclusion

This report presents all ROWS wind and wave data that have been processed for SWADE. The production of more data is unlikely given that the author is no longer with NASA. ROWS data reduction for SWADE was unusually demanding. Over 3 months were taken in the manual reduction of the navigation and file data alone. The data processing itself required manual intervention to establish the zero degree azimuth offset. Scaling of the spectra required interpolation of altimeter mode data to the spectrometer mode file locations.

Since the SWADE experiment, work on the ROWS system has eliminated the sources of the aforementioned difficulties in data collection and data reduction. Antenna shaft encoder data are now properly recorded; navigation data are now electronically logged; switching to the altimeter mode now is automatic[1] so that the spectrum data can be easily scaled; the digitizer is now properly synchronized with the radar so that wave height data are available directly from the altimeter mode data (albeit with only 10 ns resolution; cf. Vandemark et al. (1994a,b)).

ROWS data quality for SWADE is generally quite good. The only problems encountered with the data are: (a) 'dc' contamination of the spectra in low sea state cases (wave heights less than 2 m) and (b) directional broadening of the spectra caused by aircraft altitude variations. It is possible also that some of the spectra are poorly scaled. Poor scaling may occur in cases where large wind and/or wave field gradients exist between the spectra observations and the altimeter mode observations used to scale the spectra. These problems should not detract from the usefulness of the data for a number of possible SWADE investigations. The most interesting set of ROWS data collected in SWADE is from the St. Valentine's Day wind/wave event. The fetch diagrams of Figure 14 from the fourth St. Valentine's flight provide an example of the usefulness of the ROWS SWADE data for wave research.

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[1] A ferrite switch switches between the two ROWS antennas on an alternate pulse basis. Thus ROWS operates continuously with a 50 percent duty cycle, that is with 50 pulses per second for each ROWS mode.

Since 1993, ROWS spectra (*.SRF files) and altimeter data (*.OUT files) have been archived at the NASA/WFF SWADE Data Archive Center. With the publication of this report, additional ROWS data such as the spectrum scaling data will be made available to the public in electronic format.

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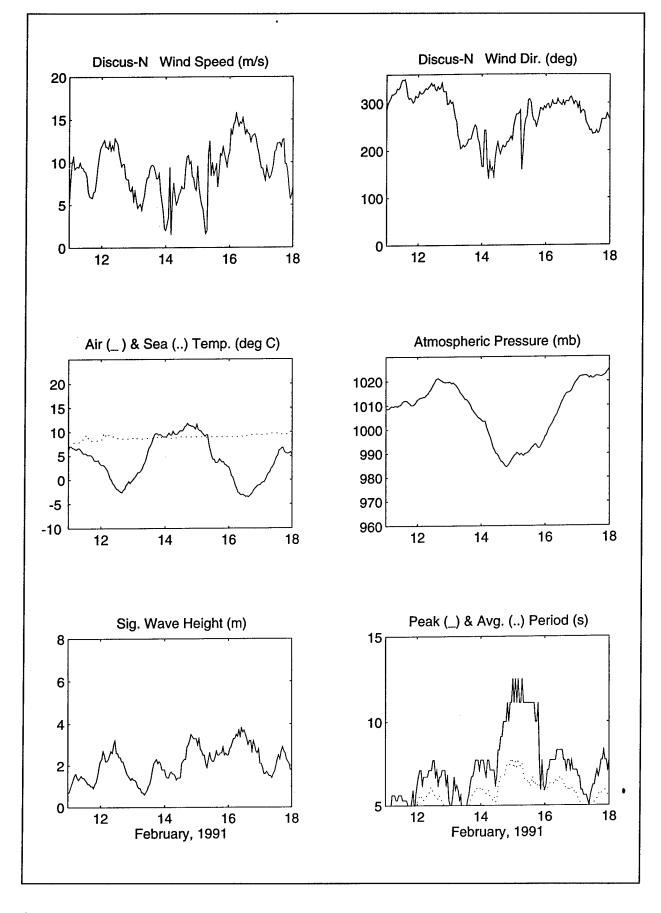
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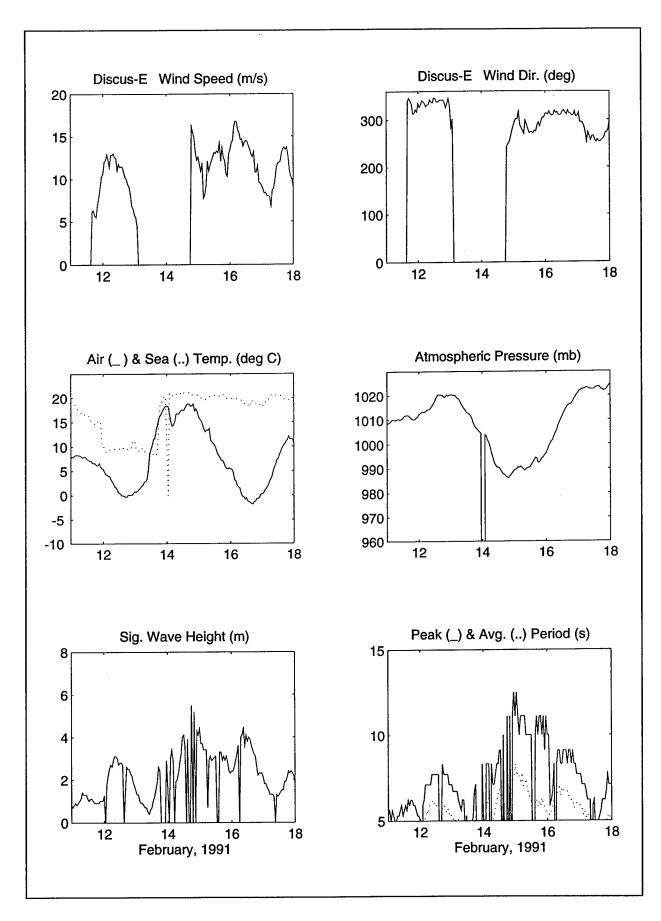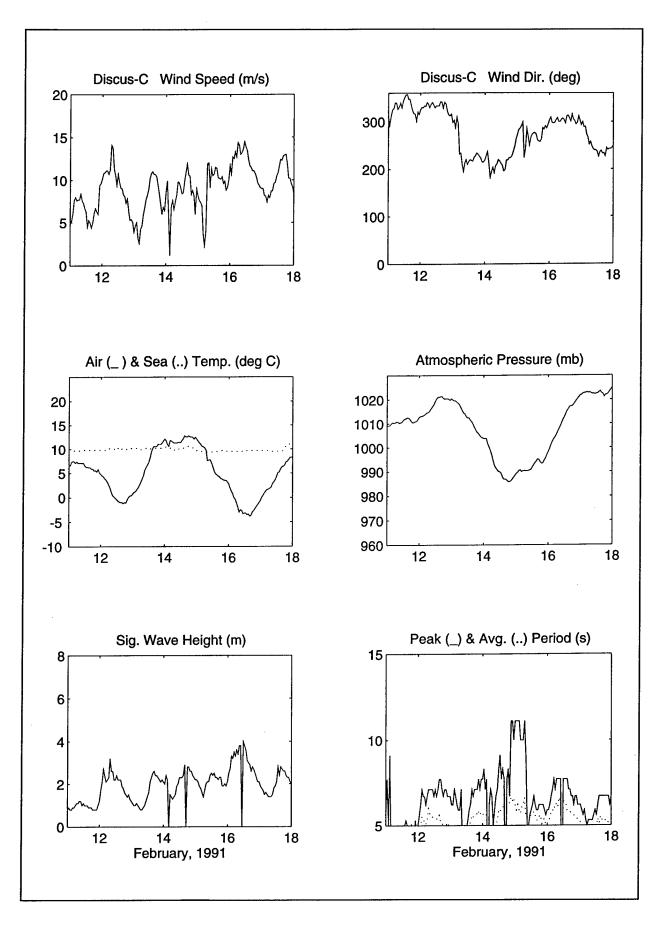
Appendix A
Buoy Environmental Data,
11-18 February 1991
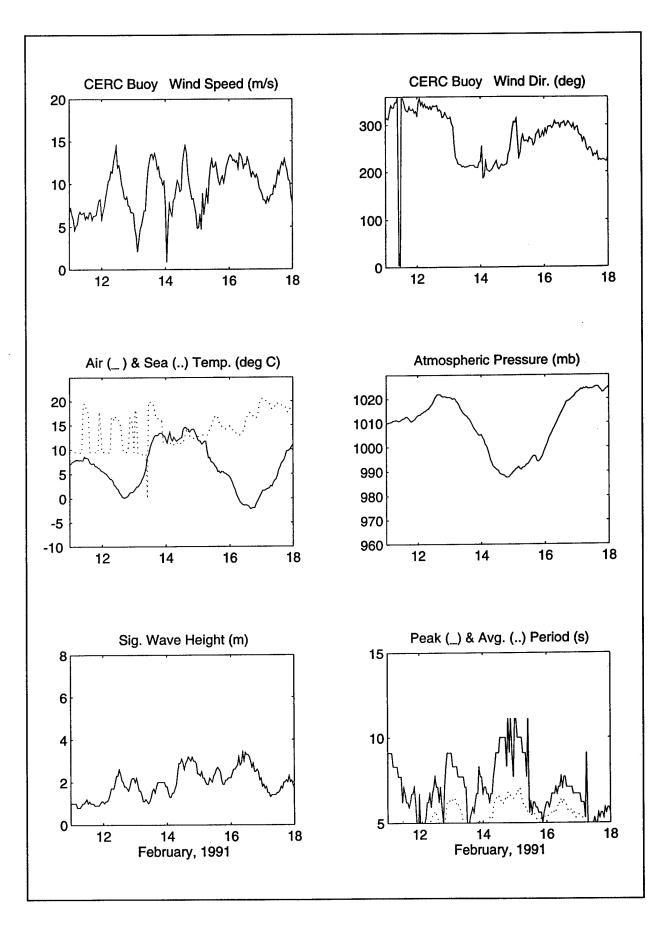
This appendix contains time series of buoy environmental data for the St. Valentine's observational period. These data are also contained in the report by Caruso et al. (1994); however, the time scale there is compressed, making the data for this interesting period difficult to read. The data presented here are for nine platforms. The locations of these data collection platforms are given in Table 1 in the main text.

Note that the buoy mean periods are plotted here according to the second moment definition. Buoy mean periods for the Custer diagrams of Figure 13 are according to the first moment definition, Equation 11b.

Discus-N   Wind Speed (m/s)

Discus-N   Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

Discus-E Wind Speed (m/s)

Discus-E Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

Discus-C   Wind Speed (m/s)

Discus-C   Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

CERC Buoy   Wind Speed (m/s)

CERC Buoy   Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

EXP Buoy   Wind Speed (m/s)

EXP Buoy   Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

NDBC 44004 Wind Speed (m/s)

NDBC 44004 Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

NDBC 44012 Wind Speed (m/s)

NDBC 44012 Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

CHLV2 Wind Speed (m/s)

CHLV2 Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

DSLN7   Wind Speed (m/s)

DSLN7   Wind Dir. (deg)

Air (_) & Sea (..) Temp. (deg C)

Atmospheric Pressure (mb)

Sig. Wave Height (m)

February, 1991

Peak (_) & Avg. (..) Period (s)

February, 1991

Appendix B
NMC Wind Fields,
14-16 February 1991

Date: 91021400

22.3 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021406

44012

D-NORTH

44009

MET-3

D-EAST

44024

D-CENTRAL

CHLV2

44014

DSLN7

41001

CLKN7

28.4 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021412

44012

44004

D-NORTH

44009

MET-3

D-EAST

44024

D-CENTRAL

CHLV2

44014

DSLN7

41001

CLKN7

26.9 ms⁻¹

40°
39°
38°
37°
36°
35°
34°

283° 284° 285° 286° 287° 288° 289° 290°

Date: 91021418

44012
44004
D-NORTH
44009
MET-3
D-EAST
44024
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
DSLN7
41001
CLKN7

26.9 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021500

40°
39°
38°
37°
36°
35°
34°
283° 284° 285° 286° 287° 288° 289° 290°

44012
D-NORTH
44004
44009
MET-3
D-EAST
44024
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
41001
DSLN7
CLKN7

28.5 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021506

40°
39°
38°
37°
36°
35°
34°

283° 284° 285° 286° 287° 288° 289° 290°

44012
44004
D-NORTH
44009
MET-3
44024   D-EAST
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
DSLN7   41001
CLKN7

30.2 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021512

44012

44004

D-NORTH

44009

MET-3

D-EAST

44024

D-CENTRAL

CHLV2

44014

41001

DSLN7

CLKN7

28.1 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021518

Date: 91021600

40°
39°
38°
37°
36°
35°
34°

283° 284° 285° 286° 287° 288° 289° 290°

44012

44004

D-NORTH

44009

MET-3

D-EAST

44024

D-CENTRAL

CHLV2

44014

DSLN7

41001

CLKN7

30.4 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021606

28.0 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021612

40°
39°
38°
37°
36°
35°
34°

283° 284° 285° 286° 287° 288° 289° 290°

44012
44004
D-NORTH
44009
MET-3
44024
D-EAST
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
DSLN7
41001
CLKN7

26.9 ms⁻¹

Date: 91021618

40°

39°   44004

44012

                        D-NORTH

                                          MET-3

38°   44009

            44024   D-EAST

37°   CHLV2   D-CENTRAL

        44014

36°

35°   DSLN7   41001

                                                25.9 ms⁻¹

CLKN7

34°
    283°   284°   285°   286°   287°   288°   289°   290°

Date: 91021700

Appendix C
NOGUFS Current Fields, 14-16 February 1991

Date: 9102140000

40°N
39°N
38°N
37°N
36°N
35°N
34°N

77°W   76°W   75°W   74°W   73°W   72°W   71°W   70°W

44012
44004
D-NORTH
44009
MET-3
D-EAST
44024
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
DSLN7
41001
CLKN7

228.1 cms⁻¹

Date: 9102150000

196.8 cms⁻¹

Date: 9102160000

216.4 cms⁻¹

Date: 9102170000

40°N
39°N
38°N
37°N
36°N
35°N
34°N

77°W 76°W 75°W 74°W 73°W 72°W 71°W 70°W

44012
44004
D-NORTH
44009
MET-3
D-EAST
44024
D-CENTRAL
CHLV2
44014
41001
DSLN7
CLKN7

191.1 cms⁻¹

Appendix D
Buoy Spectra,
12, 14-16 February 1991

This appendix contains three-hourly directional spectra from the four SWADE directional wave buoys, viz., Discus-North, Discus-East, Discus-Center, and Buoy CERC. The time period covered is 14-16 February. This is the main data collection period for the ROWS for the St. Valentines wind/wave event.
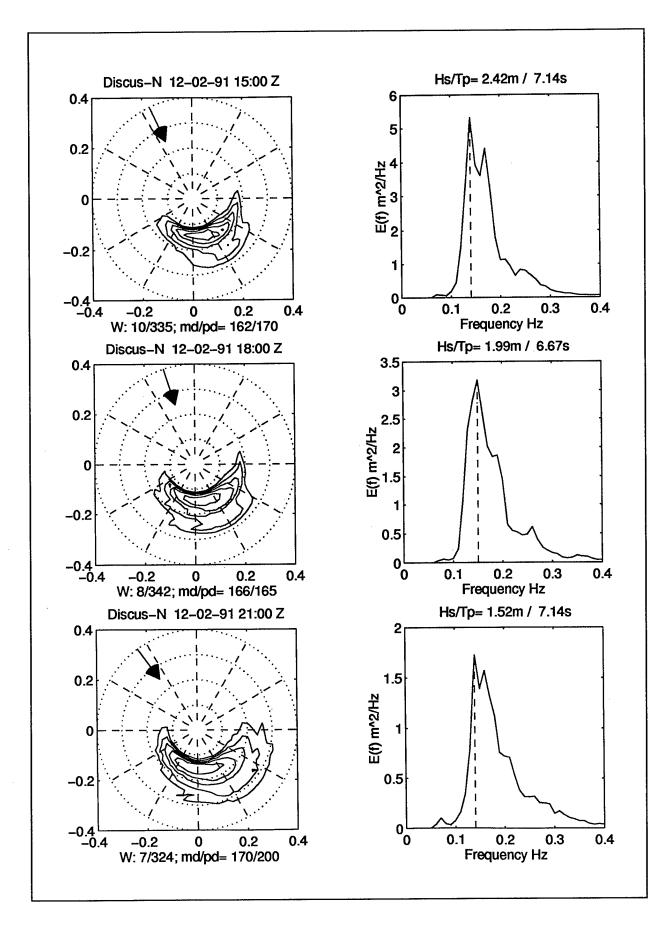
The directional wave energy spectra $E(f,\phi)$ in m^2/Hz/rad are plotted in polar coordinates with logarithmically spaced contours. The contour interval is 2.5 dB. The frequency rings are spaced 0.1 Hz; the highest frequency is 0.4 Hz.
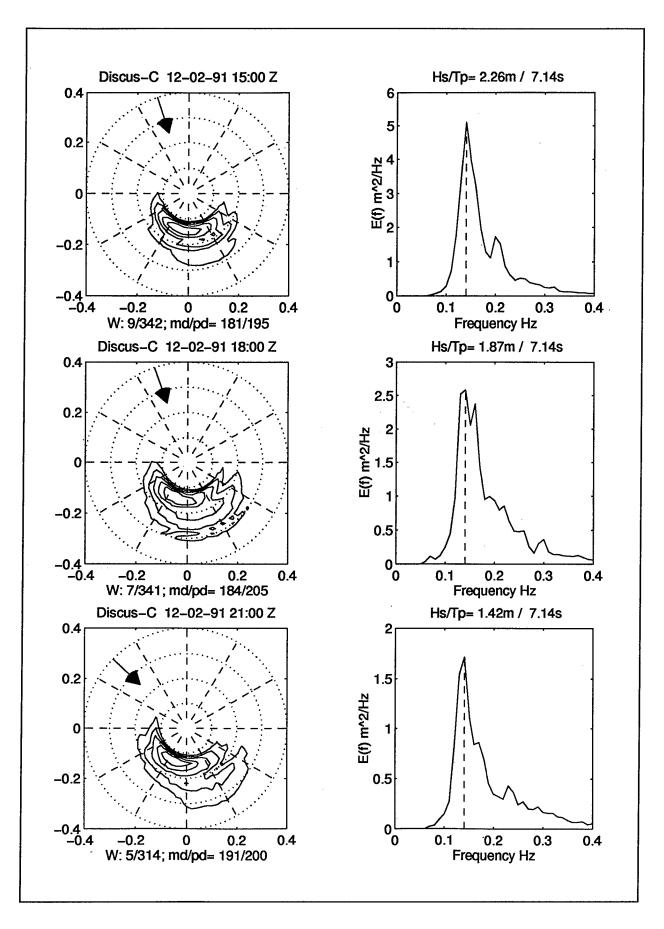
Below each directional spectrum plot are the buoy wind speed (in ms^{-1}) and direction (in degrees true according to meteorological convention) and the peak and mean wave directions (directions to). Peak directions are approximate since they are only bin values.
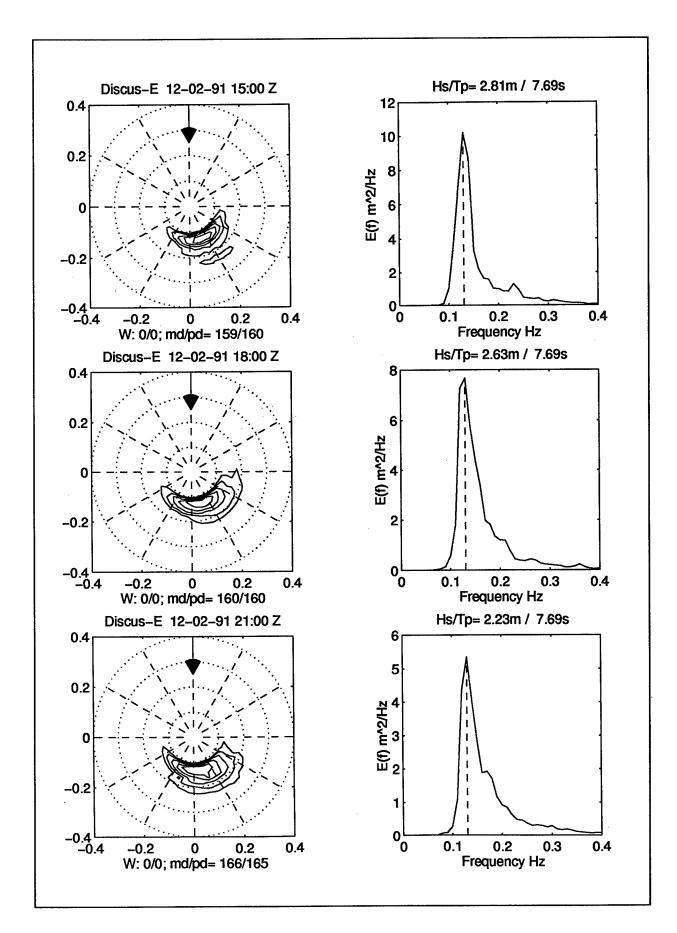
The nondirectional spectrum is given to the right of each directional spectrum. At the top of the nondirectional spectrum plot are the significant wave height (Hs) and the peak period (Tp). Note that the Tp are bin values, and thus imprecise.

Appendix D1: 12 February 1991

Discus-N
Discus-E
Discus-C
Buoy-CR

Discus-N 12-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 10/335; md/pd= 162/170

Hs/Tp= 2.42m / 7.14s

Discus-N 12-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 8/342; md/pd= 166/165

Hs/Tp= 1.99m / 6.67s

Discus-N 12-02-91 21:00 Z

W: 7/324; md/pd= 170/200

Hs/Tp= 1.52m / 7.14s

Appendix D   Buoy Spectra, 12, 14-16 February 1991

D3

Discus-C 12-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 9/342; md/pd= 181/195

Hs/Tp= 2.26m / 7.14s

Discus-C 12-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 7/341; md/pd= 184/205

Hs/Tp= 1.87m / 7.14s

Discus-C 12-02-91 21:00 Z

W: 5/314; md/pd= 191/200

Hs/Tp= 1.42m / 7.14s

Discus-E 12-02-91 15:00 Z
W: 0/0; md/pd= 159/160
Hs/Tp= 2.81m / 7.69s

Discus-E 12-02-91 18:00 Z
W: 0/0; md/pd= 160/160
Hs/Tp= 2.63m / 7.69s

Discus-E 12-02-91 21:00 Z
W: 0/0; md/pd= 166/165
Hs/Tp= 2.23m / 7.69s

CERC 12-02-91 15:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 1.96m / 6.25s

W: 10/342; md/pd= 176/165

CERC 12-02-91 18:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 1.66m / 5.00s

W: 8/329; md/pd= 176/145

CERC 12-02-91 21:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.14m / 9.09s

W: 7/327; md/pd= 201/220

Appendix D2: Discus-North
14-16 February 1991

Discus-N 14-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 2/167; md/pd= 26/30

Hs/Tp= 1.87m / 7.69s

Discus-N 14-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 9/243; md/pd= 15/30

Hs/Tp= 1.48m / 7.14s

Discus-N 14-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 8/177; md/pd= 5/10

Hs/Tp= 1.66m / 7.69s

Discus-N 14-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 6/146; md/pd= 360/15

Hs/Tp= 1.38m / 7.14s

Discus-N 14-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 7/218; md/pd= 359/20

Hs/Tp= 1.48m / 6.67s

Discus-N 14-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 9/203; md/pd= 0/355

Hs/Tp= 2.38m / 9.09s

Discus-N 14-02-91 18:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 3.10m / 10.00s

W: 10/209; md/pd= 3/0

Discus-N 14-02-91 21:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 3.50m / 10.00s

W: 8/224; md/pd= 2/0

Discus-N 15-02-91 00:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 3.35m / 12.50s

W: 10/251; md/pd= 4/15

Discus-N 15-02-91 03:00 Z
W: 5/276; md/pd= 360/345
Hs/Tp= 2.82m / 11.11s

Discus-N 15-02-91 06:00 Z
W: 2/160; md/pd= 353/340
Hs/Tp= 2.56m / 11.11s

Discus-N 15-02-91 09:00 Z
W: 12/266; md/pd= 4/340
Hs/Tp= 2.40m / 11.11s

Discus-N 15-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 8/308; md/pd= 347/345

Hs/Tp= 2.32m / 11.11s

Discus-N 15-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 7/264; md/pd= 24/10

Hs/Tp= 2.79m / 11.11s

Discus-N 15-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 11/261; md/pd= 36/340

Hs/Tp= 2.71m / 10.00s

Discus-N 15-02-91 21:00 Z

W: 10/288; md/pd= 57/100

Hs/Tp= 2.59m / 5.88s

Discus-N 16-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 11/288; md/pd= 76/110

Hs/Tp= 2.58m / 5.88s

Appendix D3: Discus-East
14-16 February 1991

Discus-C 14-02-91 00:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.15m / 7.69s

W: 8/219; md/pd= 11/25

Discus-C 14-02-91 03:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.27m / 7.69s

W: 1/213; md/pd= 359/345

Discus-C 14-02-91 06:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 1.41m / 7.14s

W: 6/204; md/pd= 7/15

Discus-C 14-02-91 09:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 1.56m / 5.88s

W: 10/211; md/pd= 9/10

Discus-C 14-02-91 12:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.35m / 8.33s

W: 8/212; md/pd= 4/355

Discus-C 14-02-91 15:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.43m / 8.33s

W: 11/199; md/pd= 3/15

Discus-C 14-02-91 18:00 Z
W: 10/224; md/pd= 3/5

Hs/Tp= 2.80m / 7.69s

Discus-C 14-02-91 21:00 Z
W: 8/237; md/pd= 356/350

Hs/Tp= 2.68m / 11.11s

Discus-C 15-02-91 00:00 Z
W: 8/273; md/pd= 11/355

Hs/Tp= 2.26m / 11.11s

Discus-C 15-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 7/291; md/pd= 14/340

Hs/Tp= 1.92m / 11.11s

Discus-C 15-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 4/242; md/pd= 358/345

Hs/Tp= 1.48m / 10.00s

Discus-C 15-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 9/250; md/pd= 40/75

Hs/Tp= 2.11m / 5.00s

Appendix D Buoy Spectra, 12, 14-16 February 1991

Discus-C 15-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 11/276; md/pd= 52/65

Hs/Tp= 2.53m / 5.88s

Discus-C 15-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 10/262; md/pd= 53/65

Hs/Tp= 2.35m / 6.25s

Discus-C 15-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 10/263; md/pd= 57/65

Hs/Tp= 2.32m / 6.25s

Discus-C 15-02-91 21:00 Z
W: 9/291; md/pd= 63/65

Hs/Tp= 1.98m / 6.25s

Discus-C 16-02-91 00:00 Z
W: 12/303; md/pd= 93/110

Hs/Tp= 2.11m / 5.88s

Appendix D4: Discus-Center
14-16 February 1991

Discus-E 14-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 24/30

Hs/Tp= 2.99m / 8.33s

Discus-E 14-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 29/30

Hs/Tp= 3.52m / 8.33s

Discus-E 14-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 22/25

Hs/Tp= 2.05m / 8.33s

Discus-E 14-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 20/20

Hs/Tp= 2.94m / 7.69s

Discus-E 14-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 15/25

Hs/Tp= 4.23m / 9.09s

Discus-E 14-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 0/0; md/pd= 19/20

Hs/Tp= 3.96m / 10.00s

Discus-E 14-02-91 18:00 Z
W: 0/0; md/pd= 8/10

Hs/Tp= 5.57m / 11.11s

Discus-E 14-02-91 21:00 Z
W: 16/248; md/pd= 24/30

Hs/Tp= 5.39m / 11.11s

Discus-E 15-02-91 00:00 Z
W: 13/286; md/pd= 10/15

Hs/Tp= 4.64m / 11.11s

Discus-E 15-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 12/301; md/pd= 16/20

Hs/Tp= 3.61m / 10.00s

Discus-E 15-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 9/283; md/pd= 13/15

Hs/Tp= 0.79m / 11.11s

Discus-E 15-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 12/299; md/pd= 17/20

Hs/Tp= 3.04m / 10.00s

Discus-E 15-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 13/272; md/pd= 27/15

Hs/Tp= 3.26m / 10.00s

Discus-E 15-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 13/271; md/pd= 31/30

Hs/Tp= 3.43m / 10.00s

Discus-E 15-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 14/288; md/pd= 30/15

Hs/Tp= 3.25m / 11.11s

Discus–E 15–02–91 21:00 Z

W: 11/296; md/pd= 42/15

Hs/Tp= 2.90m / 11.11s

Discus–E 16–02–91 00:00 Z

W: 13/312; md/pd= 49/5

Hs/Tp= 2.59m / 11.11s

Appendix D5: Buoy CERC
14-16 February 1991

CERC 14-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 8/222; md/pd= 2/345

Hs/Tp= 1.76m / 6.67s

CERC 14-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 8/191; md/pd= 348/340

Hs/Tp= 1.32m / 6.67s

CERC 14-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 8/203; md/pd= 342/330

Hs/Tp= 1.67m / 6.67s

Appendix D   Buoy Spectra, 12, 14-16 February 1991

D29

CERC 14-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 10/207; md/pd= 344/335

Hs/Tp= 2.91m / 8.33s

CERC 14-02-91 12:00 Z

W: 9/224; md/pd= 345/335

Hs/Tp= 2.91m / 9.09s

CERC 14-02-91 15:00 Z

W: 14/210; md/pd= 351/335

Hs/Tp= 2.98m / 10.00s

CERC 14-02-91 18:00 Z

W: 10/214; md/pd= 342/340

Hs/Tp= 3.03m / 8.33s

CERC 14-02-91 21:00 Z

W: 8/238; md/pd= 345/330

Hs/Tp= 3.00m / 11.11s

CERC 15-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 5/291; md/pd= 342/320

Hs/Tp= 2.36m / 11.11s

CERC 15-02-91 03:00 Z

W: 5/314; md/pd= 337/330

Hs/Tp= 2.22m / 10.00s

CERC 15-02-91 06:00 Z

W: 8/241; md/pd= 341/330

Hs/Tp= 1.94m / 9.09s

CERC 15-02-91 09:00 Z

W: 10/265; md/pd= 11/330

Hs/Tp= 2.10m / 7.69s

CERC 15-02-91 12:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.42m / 6.25s

W: 12/263; md/pd= 88/110

CERC 15-02-91 15:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 2.61m / 6.25s

W: 11/269; md/pd= 94/120

CERC 15-02-91 18:00 Z

Hs/Tp= 1.88m / 5.56s

W: 10/279; md/pd= 67/115

CERC 15-02-91 21:00 Z

W: 11/272; md/pd= 65/105

Hs/Tp= 2.13m / 5.00s

CERC 16-02-91 00:00 Z

W: 13/276; md/pd= 98/120

Hs/Tp= 2.21m / 6.25s

Appendix E
ROWS Spectra,
12 February - 7 March 1991

ROWS directional and nondirectional spectra are presented in this appendix in a format identical to that used for the buoy spectra in Appendix D. Note, however, that in the case of these spectra the peak period and direction data are precise, each having been obtained by parabolic fit to the binned spectrum data.

In low sea state cases (SWH _ 2 m), the ROWS spectra may be subject to a fair amount of 'dc' contamination. The nondirectional spectrum and inferred SWH will then depend critically on the imposed low-frequency cutoff. In some cases the choice of cutoff frequency is obvious from the directional spectrum. In others, the choice of cutoff frequency is rather arbitrary. Often the nondirectional spectrum will have no clearly defined peak. The apparent peak in the nondirectional spectrum plot will then simply reflect the choice of cutoff frequency.

Note that the ROWS wind speeds are from the interpolation fields based on uncorrected full waveform fit altimeter data; thus they are biased low by about 1 ms^{-1} on average.

The spectra plots for each flight are preceded by a flight map and navigation and file data table. On the flight maps the spectra files are denoted by 'S1.' 'S2,' etc. and the altimeter mode files are denoted by 'A1,' 'A2,' etc. The flight data table column entries are:

TAPE/FILE	Original tape number for flight and processed file number
POS FIX	Position fix (used to construct flight maps)
ROWS MODE	1 = Spectrometer mode; 2 = Altimeter mode
BUOY/WP	Identifies buoy overflown or way point reached
EST	Center time for particular file in Eastern Standard Time

LAT, LON	Latitude (north) and longitude (east) in degrees and decimal
ALT	Aircraft standard pressure altitude in meters
SPD	Aircraft ground speed in m/s
HDG	True heading
PC-TIC	Onboard computer 'tic' time on data tape (hhmmss)
REC #	Start record number on flight data tape
LEN	Length of file to be processed in MB
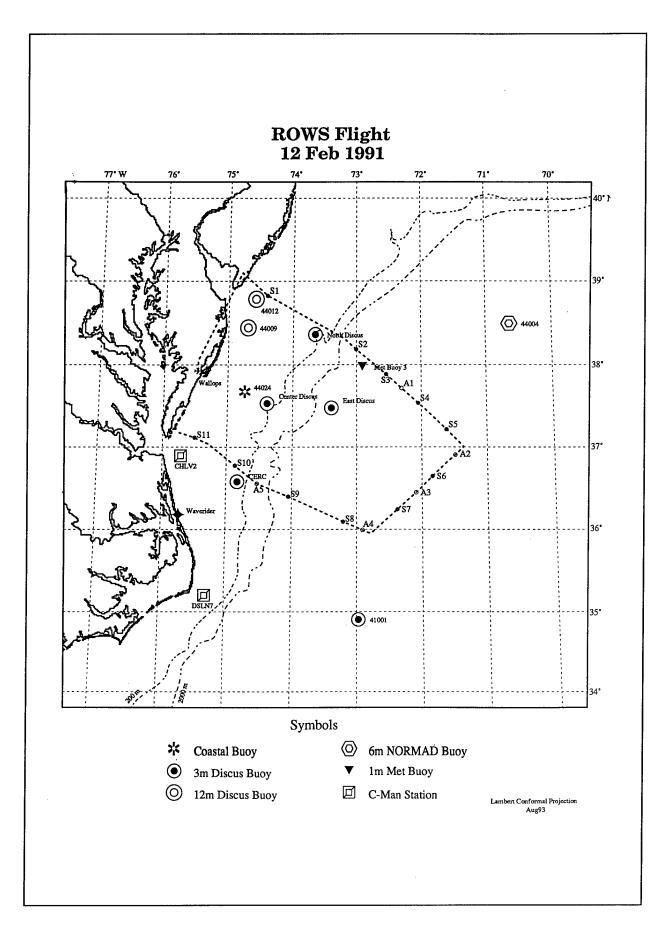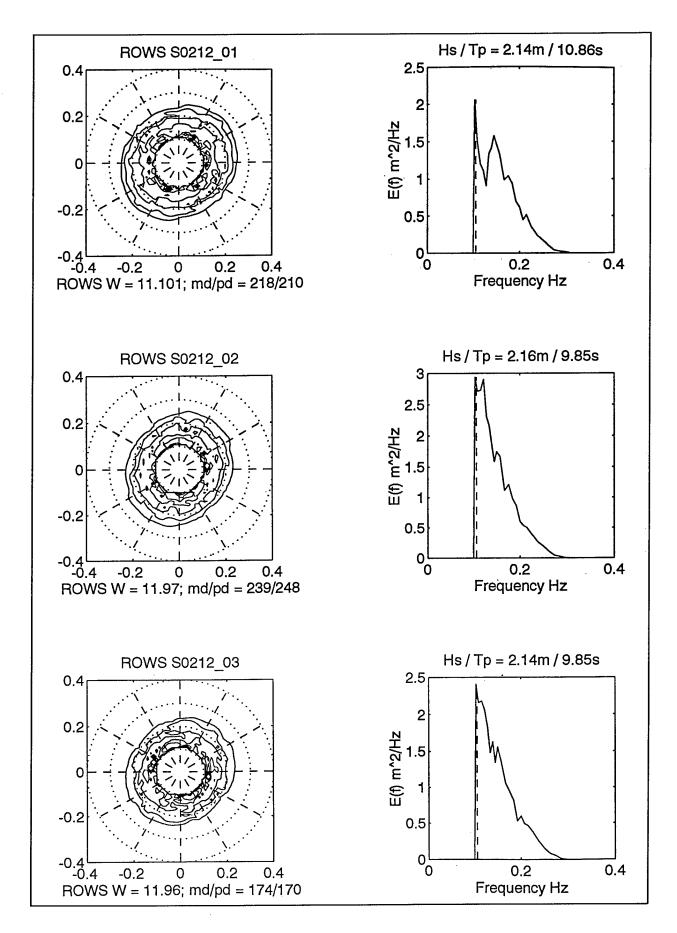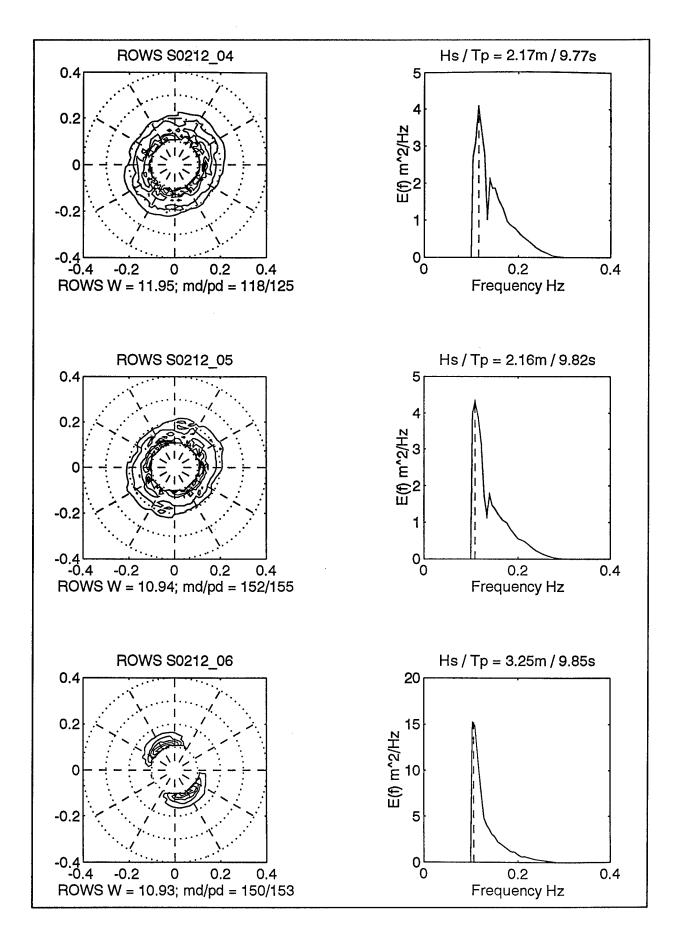
Appendix E1: ROWS Spectra,
12 February 1991

ROWS Flight
12 Feb 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
⊙	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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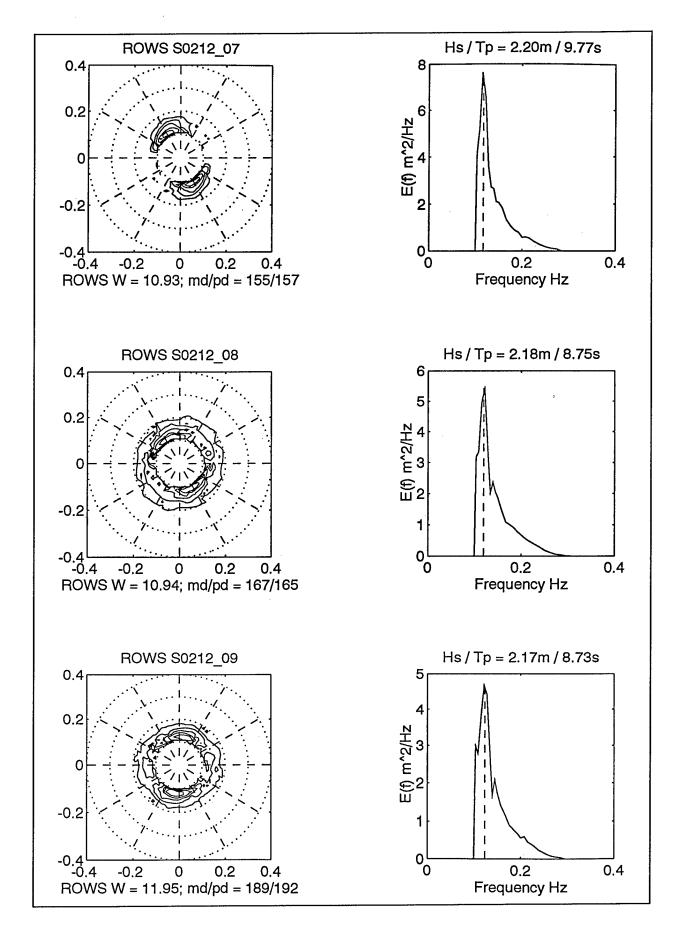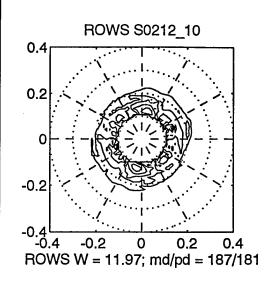
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FEB 12, 1991

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ROWS S0212_01

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 11.101; md/pd = 218/210

ROWS S0212_02

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 11.97; md/pd = 239/248

ROWS S0212_03

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 11.96; md/pd = 174/170

ROWS S0212_04

ROWS W = 11.95; md/pd = 118/125

Hs / Tp = 2.17m / 9.77s

ROWS S0212_05

ROWS W = 10.94; md/pd = 152/155

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 9.82s

ROWS S0212_06

ROWS W = 10.93; md/pd = 150/153

Hs / Tp = 3.25m / 9.85s

ROWS S0212_07

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 9.77s

ROWS W = 10.93; md/pd = 155/157

ROWS S0212_08

Hs / Tp = 2.18m / 8.75s

ROWS W = 10.94; md/pd = 167/165

ROWS S0212_09

Hs / Tp = 2.17m / 8.73s

ROWS W = 11.95; md/pd = 189/192

ROWS S0212_10

ROWS W = 11.97; md/pd = 187/181

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 9.85s

ROWS S0212_11

ROWS W = 11.98; md/pd = 110/113

Hs / Tp = 1.13m / 10.86s

Appendix E2: ROWS Spectra and Frequency-Direction Plots for the St. Valentine's Period, 14-16 February 1991

Directional spectra for the four flights of the St. Valentine's observational period are accompanied here by plots of mean direction and directional spreading as functions of (log) frequency.
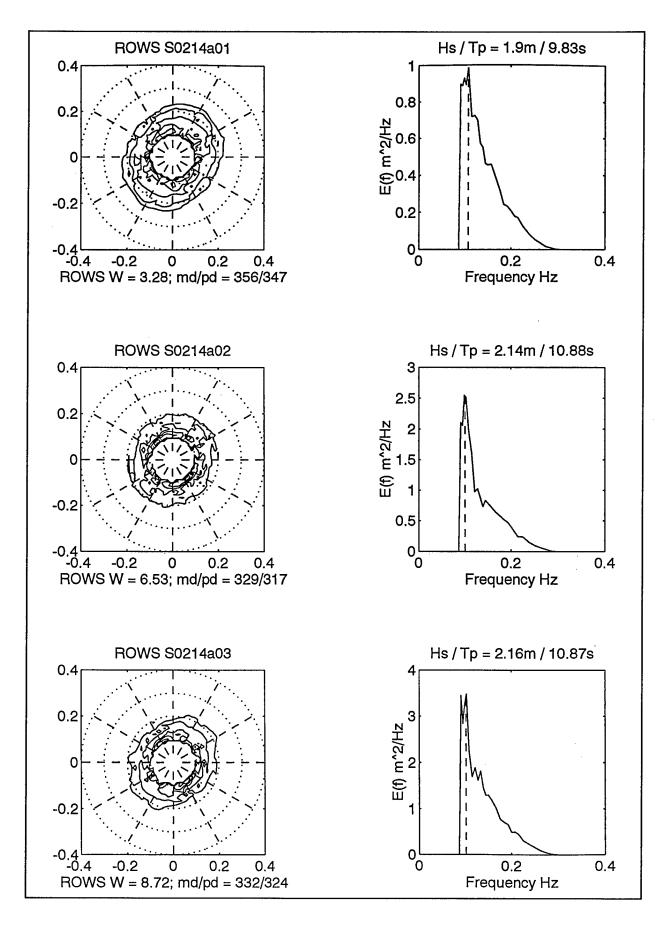
What are generally the lower of the two sets of curves are the mean directions as given by the first (dotted curve) and second (solid curve) harmonic phase angles; the upper curves are the first and second harmonic directional half power spreads. The vertical dashed line is the nondirectional spectrum peak frequency and the horizontal dashed line is the isotropic limit for the first harmonic directional half-power spread.

ROWS Flight a
14 Feb 1991

Symbols

✳ Coastal Buoy

◉ 3m Discus Buoy

◎ 12m Discus Buoy

⬡ 6m NORMAD Buoy

▼ 1m Met Buoy

▢ C-Man Station

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FEB 14, 1991--FLIGHT #1

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A03	0	2		13	27	30	37.00	-71.38	7625	129	256	132819	153501		2
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NOTES: (1) HEADINGS BETWEEN 140 AND 148 DEG ON OUTBOUND LEG ARE INTERPOLATED VALUES. ALTHOUGH HEADINGS IN LOG ARE LISTED AS IN DEG TRUE, 140 DEG IS THE MAGNETIC HEADING ACCORDING TO FLIGHT PLAN, AND SO JUST POSSIBLY THIS HEADING MAY BE MAGNETIC RATHER THAN TRUE!

ROWS S0214a01

Hs / Tp = 1.9m / 9.83s

ROWS W = 3.28; md/pd = 356/347

ROWS S0214a02

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 10.88s

ROWS W = 6.53; md/pd = 329/317

ROWS S0214a03

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 10.87s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 332/324

ROWS S0214a01

ROWS S0214a01

ROWS S0214a02

ROWS S0214a02

ROWS S0214a03

ROWS S0214a03

ROWS S0214a04

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 11.96s

ROWS W = 11.101; md/pd = 5/2

ROWS S0214a05

Hs / Tp = 5.41m / 11.99s

ROWS W = 13.113; md/pd = 11/9

ROWS S0214a06

Hs / Tp = 4.38m / 11.98s

ROWS W = 13.120; md/pd = 9/11

ROWS S0214a04

ROWS S0214a05

ROWS S0214a06

ROWS S0214a07

Hs / Tp = 4.36m / 12.104s

ROWS W = 14.122; md/pd = 11/18

ROWS S0214a08

Hs / Tp = 5.45m / 12.108s

ROWS W = 13.119; md/pd = 15/6

ROWS S0214a09

Hs / Tp = 5.43m / 12.104s

ROWS W = 13.116; md/pd = 9/8

ROWS S0214a07

ROWS S0214a07

ROWS S0214a08

ROWS S0214a08

ROWS S0214a09

ROWS S0214a09

ROWS S0214a10

Hs / Tp = 5.47m / 12.106s

ROWS W = 13.118; md/pd = 4/2

ROWS S0214a11

Hs / Tp = 5.48m / 11.99s

ROWS W = 13.115; md/pd = 4/4

ROWS S0214a12

Hs / Tp = 6.50m / 12.104s

ROWS W = 12.111; md/pd = 4/2

ROWS S0214a10

ROWS S0214a10

ROWS S0214a11

ROWS S0214a11

ROWS S0214a12

ROWS S0214a12

ROWS S0214a13

Hs / Tp = 5.47m / 12.107s

ROWS W = 12.104; md/pd = 356/351

ROWS S0214a14

Hs / Tp = 3.27m / 11.103s

ROWS W = 10.91; md/pd = 350/354

ROWS S0214a15

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 11.97s

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 316/308

ROWS S0214a13

ROWS S0214a14

ROWS S0214a15

ROWS Flight b
14 Feb 1991

Symbols

❊	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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FEB 14, 1991--FLIGHT #2

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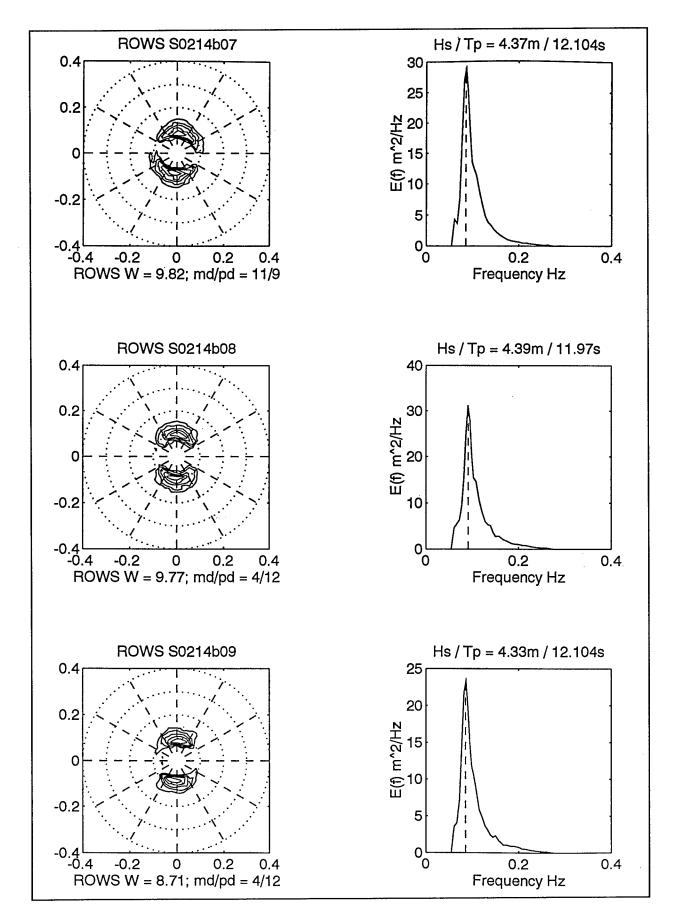
NOTES: (1) S05 HEADING MAY BE IN ERROR. (2) SOME POSITION DATA ON OUTBOUND LEG
(OMITTED SINCE WE USE INTERPOLATION BETWEEN 20:44:16 AND 21:02:45 POSTION FIXES.

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ROWS W = 8.70; md/pd = 346/355

ROWS S0214b02

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 12.107s

ROWS W = 8.76; md/pd = 357/9

ROWS S0214b03

Hs / Tp = 3.27m / 11.102s

ROWS W = 9.80; md/pd = 23/32

ROWS S0214b01

ROWS S0214b01

ROWS S0214b02

ROWS S0214b02

ROWS S0214b03

ROWS S0214b03

ROWS S0214b04

ROWS W = 9.84; md/pd = 5/16

Hs / Tp = 3.30m / 12.104s

ROWS S0214b05

ROWS W = 10.88; md/pd = 6/8

Hs / Tp = 4.35m / 12.106s

ROWS S0214b06

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 6/2

Hs / Tp = 4.36m / 11.103s

Appendix E   ROWS Spectra, 12 February - 7 March 1991

E27

ROWS S0214b04

ROWS S0214b04

ROWS S0214b05

ROWS S0214b05

ROWS S0214b06

ROWS S0214b06

ROWS S0214b07

ROWS W = 9.82; md/pd = 11/9

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 12.104s

ROWS S0214b08

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 4/12

Hs / Tp = 4.39m / 11.97s

ROWS S0214b09

ROWS W = 8.71; md/pd = 4/12

Hs / Tp = 4.33m / 12.104s

ROWS S0214b07

ROWS S0214b08

ROWS S0214b09

ROWS S0214b10

Hs / Tp = 2.19m / 11.103s

ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 323/321

ROWS S0214b11

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 9.84s

ROWS W = 7.60; md/pd = 320/326

ROWS S0214b10

ROWS S0214b10

ROWS S0214b11

ROWS S0214b11

ROWS Flight
15 Feb 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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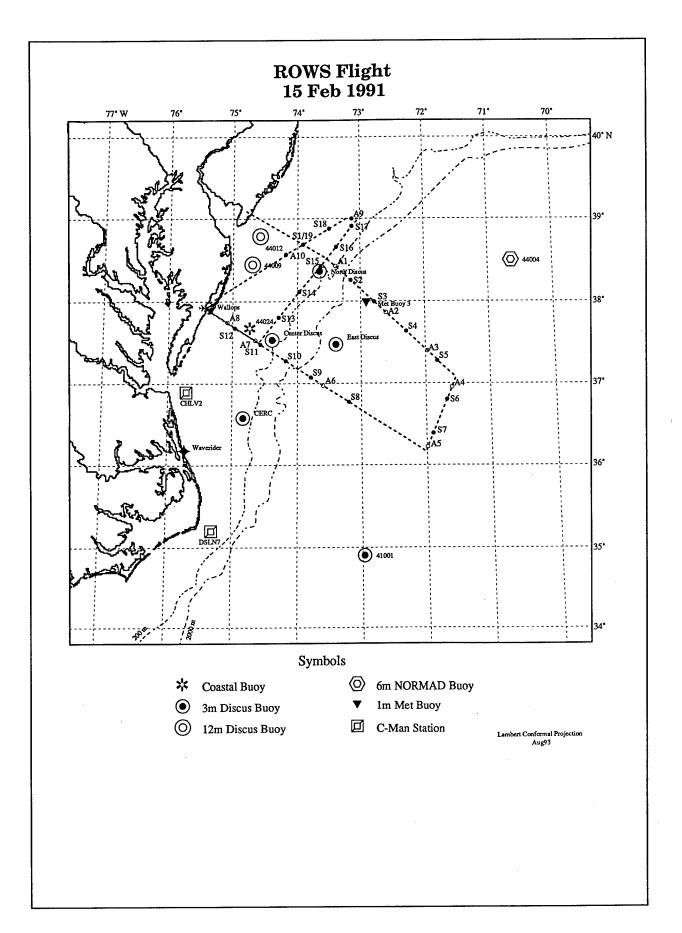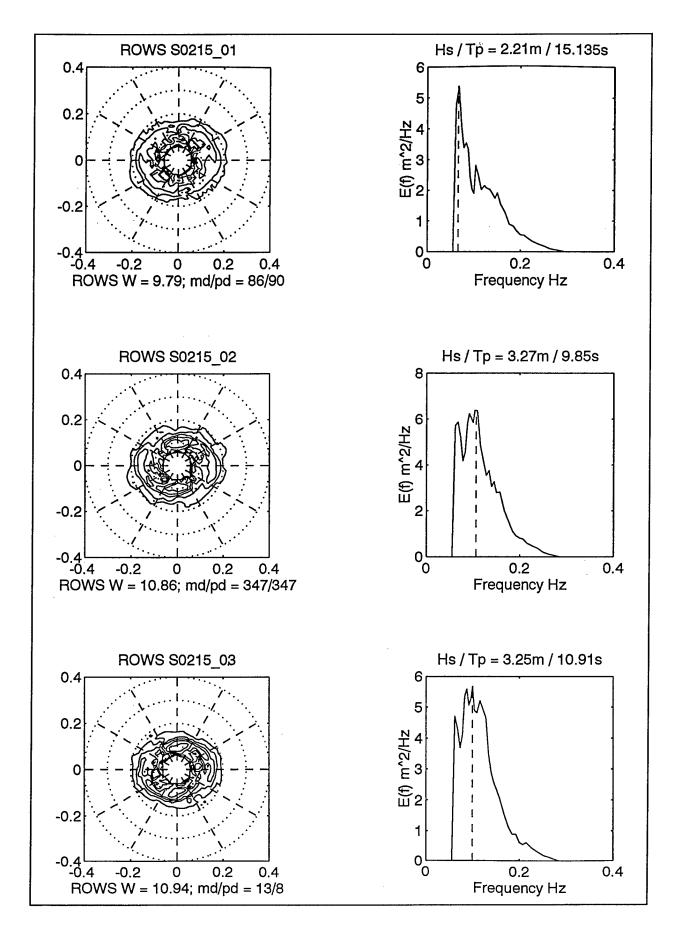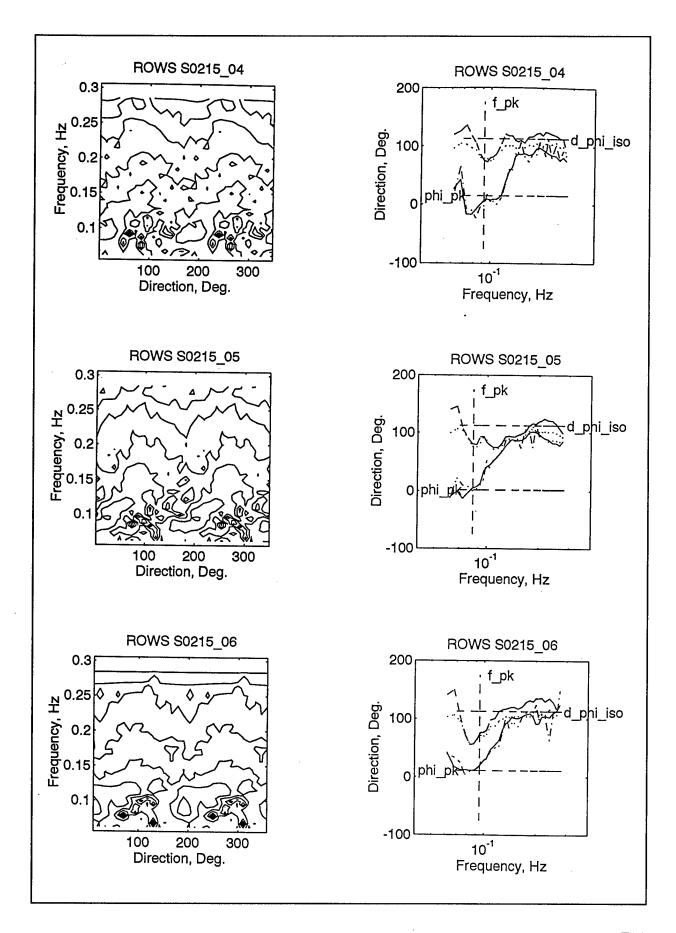| TAPE1/1 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	EST HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN MB
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TAPE2/2															
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	1	0	WFF	17	53	00	37.94	-75.47	0						

NOTES: (1) 138 DEG HEADING ON OUTBOUND LEG SOMEWHAT UNCERTAIN--CHECK S01
SPECTRUM WITH CROSSTRACK OVERLAY SPECTRUM S19. (2) INBOUND SOUTHERN LEG
HEADING ESTIMATED FROM TRACK = 304 DEG MINUS DRIFT ANGLE.

ROWS S0215_01

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 15.135s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 86/90

ROWS S0215_02

Hs / Tp = 3.27m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 347/347

ROWS S0215_03

Hs / Tp = 3.25m / 10.91s

ROWS W = 10.94; md/pd = 13/8

ROWS S0215_01

ROWS S0215_01

ROWS S0215_02

ROWS S0215_02

ROWS S0215_03

ROWS S0215_03

ROWS S0215_04

Hs / Tp = 3.26m / 11.97s

ROWS W = 12.104; md/pd = 14/15

ROWS S0215_05

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 12.107s

ROWS W = 13.114; md/pd = 16/2

ROWS S0215_06

Hs / Tp = 5.41m / 11.95s

ROWS W = 14.128; md/pd = 21/11

ROWS S0215_04

ROWS S0215_04

ROWS S0215_05

ROWS S0215_05

ROWS S0215_06

ROWS S0215_06

ROWS S0215_07

Hs / Tp = 5.44m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 14.123; md/pd = 73/90

ROWS S0215_08

Hs / Tp = 3.30m / 11.98s

ROWS W = 11.96; md/pd = 13/6

ROWS S0215_09

Hs / Tp = 3.30m / 11.98s

ROWS W = 10.90; md/pd = 354/351

ROWS S0215_07

ROWS S0215_08

ROWS S0215_09

ROWS S0215_10

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 15.135s

0.4
0.2
0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.4 -0.2   0   0.2   0.4

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 44/47

E(f) m^2/Hz
5
4
3
2
1
0
0   0.2   0.4
Frequency Hz

ROWS S0215_11

Hs / Tp = 2.22m / 16.140s

0.4
0.2
0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.4 -0.2   0   0.2   0.4

ROWS W = 9.83; md/pd = 123/119

E(f) m^2/Hz
5
4
3
2
1
0
0   0.2   0.4
Frequency Hz

ROWS S0215_12

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 15.139s

0.4
0.2
0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.4 -0.2   0   0.2   0.4

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 337/346

E(f) m^2/Hz
4
3
2
1
0
0   0.2   0.4
Frequency Hz

ROWS S0215_10

ROWS S0215_10

ROWS S0215_11

ROWS S0215_11

ROWS S0215_12

ROWS S0215_12

ROWS S0215_13

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 16.140s

ROWS W = 11.102; md/pd = 75/66

ROWS S0215_14

Hs / Tp = 3.24m / 15.138s

ROWS W = 12.104; md/pd = 53/53

ROWS S0215_15

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 15.134s

ROWS W = 10.88; md/pd = 59/69

ROWS S0215_13

ROWS S0215_13

ROWS S0215_14

ROWS S0215_14

ROWS S0215_15

ROWS S0215_15

ROWS S0215_16

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 16.141s

ROWS W = 7.65; md/pd = 345/357

ROWS S0215_17

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 12.104s

ROWS W = 3.29; md/pd = 147/332

ROWS S0215_18

Hs / Tp = 2.17m / 11.103s

ROWS W = 6.50; md/pd = 140/144

ROWS S0215_16

ROWS S0215_16

ROWS S0215_17

ROWS S0215_17

ROWS S0215_18

ROWS S0215_18

ROWS S0215_19

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 13.116s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 138/145

ROWS S0215_19

ROWS S0215_19

ROWS Flight
16 Feb 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▱	C-Man Station

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TAPE1/1 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	EST HH	MM	SS	LAT DEG N	LON DEG E	ALT M	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN ME
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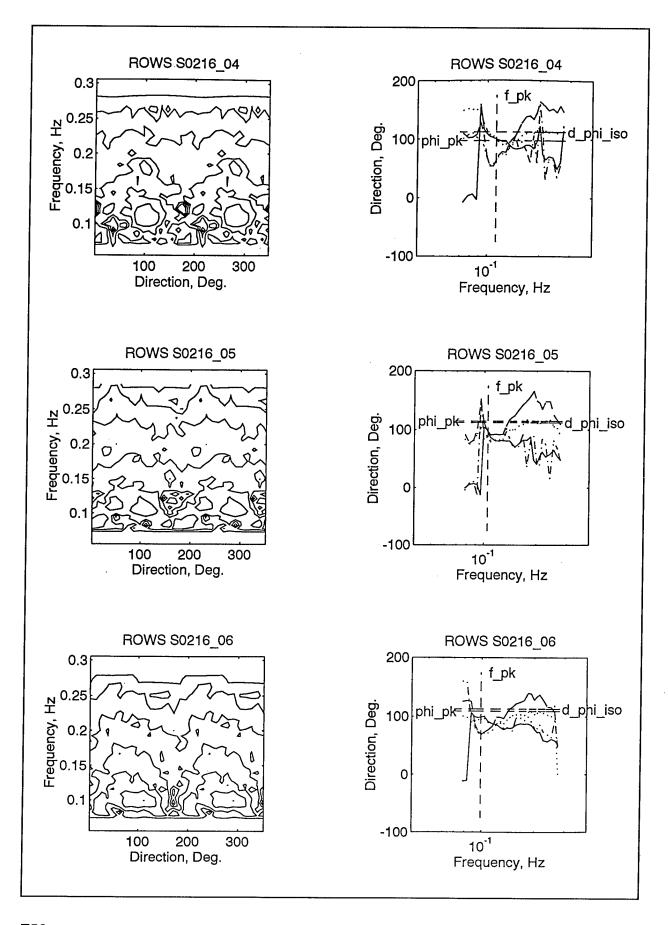
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NOTES: (1) BREAK FOR TURN AT 6 AT 100000; EST ARRIVAL AT 6 ASSUMING CONSTANT
COURSE. (2) ON INBOUND LEG ARRIVAL WFF ESTIMATED. (3) LAST ALT FILE POSITION
ESTIMATED ONLY ROUGHLY.
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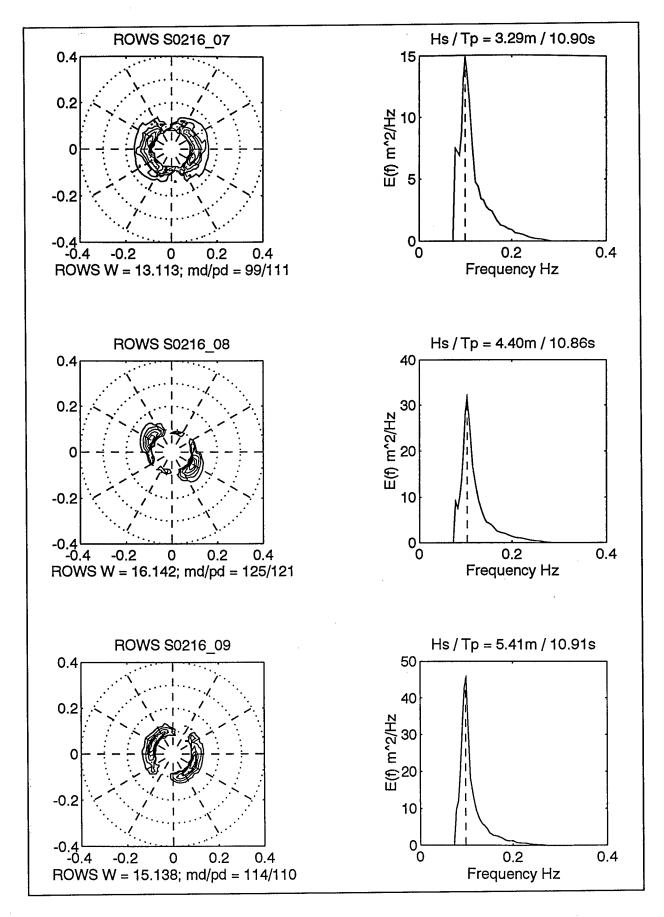
ROWS S0216_01

Hs / Tp = 1.13m / 7.60s

ROWS W = 10.90; md/pd = 89/84

ROWS S0216_02

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 7.63s

ROWS W = 12.108; md/pd = 97/95

ROWS S0216_03

Hs / Tp = 2.19m / 8.76s

ROWS W = 14.122; md/pd = 106/109

ROWS S0216_01

ROWS S0216_02

ROWS S0216_03

ROWS S0216_04

Hs / Tp = 3.31m / 9.79s

ROWS W = 14.125; md/pd = 98/97

ROWS S0216_05

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 14.122; md/pd = 103/115

ROWS S0216_06

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.90s

ROWS W = 13.115; md/pd = 98/108

ROWS S0216_04

ROWS S0216_04

ROWS S0216_05

ROWS S0216_05

ROWS S0216_06

ROWS S0216_06

Appendix E   ROWS Spectra, 12 February - 7 March 1991

ROWS S0216_07

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 10.90s

ROWS W = 13.113; md/pd = 99/111

ROWS S0216_08

Hs / Tp = 4.40m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 16.142; md/pd = 125/121

ROWS S0216_09

Hs / Tp = 5.41m / 10.91s

ROWS W = 15.138; md/pd = 114/110

ROWS S0216_07

ROWS S0216_08

ROWS S0216_09

ROWS S0216_10

Hs / Tp = 4.36m / 10.87s

ROWS W = 14.122; md/pd = 117/108

ROWS S0216_11

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 13.114; md/pd = 118/114

ROWS S0216_12

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 9.80s

ROWS W = 12.112; md/pd = 124/112

ROWS S0216_10

ROWS S0216_10

ROWS S0216_11

ROWS S0216_11

ROWS S0216_12

ROWS S0216_12

ROWS S0216_13

ROWS W = 12.111; md/pd = 121/113

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 8.74s

ROWS S0216_14

ROWS W = 12.105; md/pd = 94/87

Hs / Tp = 1.13m / 7.61s

ROWS S0216_15

ROWS W = 10.93; md/pd = 90/86

Hs / Tp = 1.10m / 7.61s

ROWS S0216_13

ROWS S0216_13

ROWS S0216_14

ROWS S0216_14

ROWS S0216_15

ROWS S0216_15

ROWS S0216_16
ROWS W = 10.90; md/pd = 97/89

Hs / Tp = 1.12m / 7.61s

ROWS S0216_17
ROWS W = 10.94; md/pd = 108/104

Hs / Tp = 2.17m / 7.65s

ROWS S0216_18
ROWS W = 10.94; md/pd = 115/91

Hs / Tp = 2.15m / 7.59s

ROWS S0216_16

ROWS S0216_16

ROWS S0216_17

ROWS S0216_17

ROWS S0216_18

ROWS S0216_18

ROWS S0216_19

ROWS W = 11.98; md/pd = 133/138

Hs / Tp = 2.19m / 7.65s

ROWS S0216_20

ROWS W = 12.105; md/pd = 127/128

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 7.65s

ROWS S0216_21

ROWS W = 13.114; md/pd = 129/138

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 8.70s

ROWS S0216_19

ROWS S0216_19

ROWS S0216_20

ROWS S0216_20

ROWS S0216_21

ROWS S0216_21

ROWS S0216_22

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 8.68s

ROWS W = 13.121; md/pd = 123/126

ROWS S0216_22

ROWS S0216_22

Appendix E3: ROWS Spectra for IOP-3, 27 February - 7 March 1991
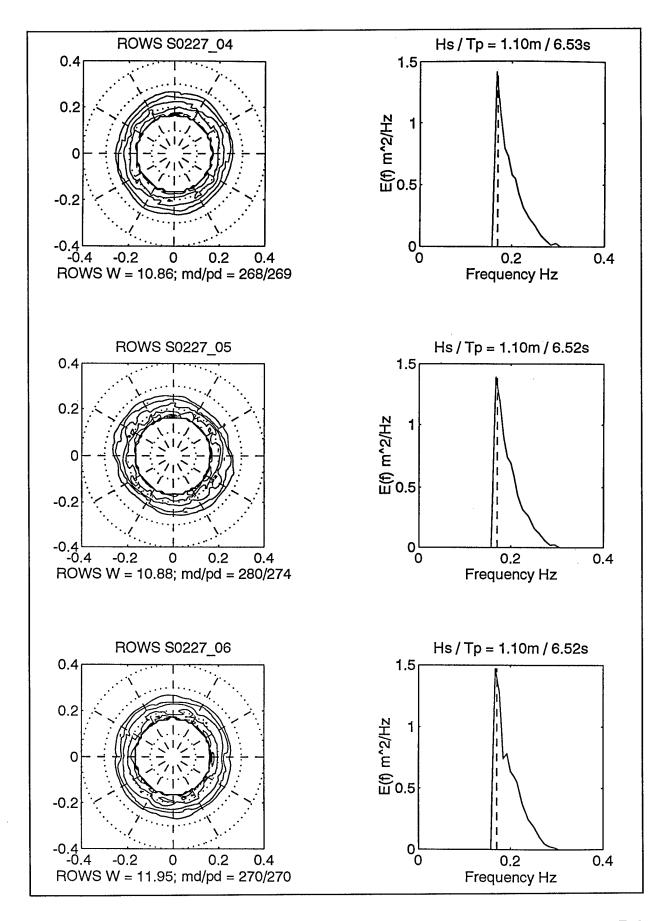
The ROWS directional spectra plots for the seven SWADE IOP-3 flights in this appendix are augmented with zoom plots for 5 March, the SWADE priority day. In the 5 March zoom plots, the maximum frequency is 0.2 Hz instead of 0.4 Hz. These plots help to better resolve the complex, trimodal structure of the swell on this day.

ROWS Flight
27 Feb 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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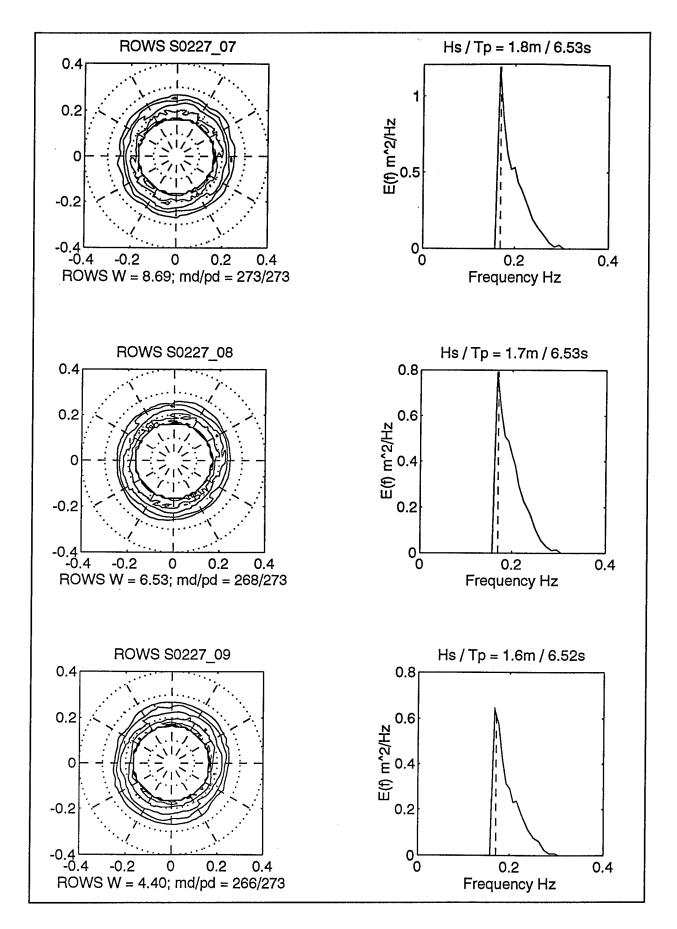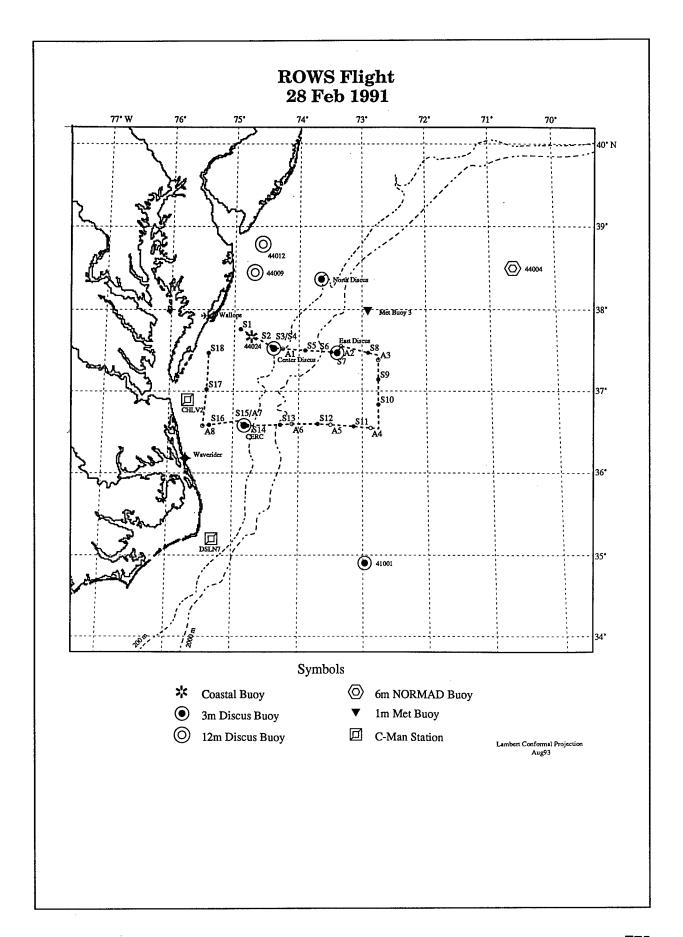
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                    ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
                               FEB 27, 1991
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TAPE2/2 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	EST HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN MB
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	1	0		19	19	13	36.58	-71.54	7625	135	291				
A01	0	2		19	22	06	36.69	-71.77	7625	135	291	002924	34901		1
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A02	0	2		19	28	36	36.90	-72.20	7625	135	291	003553	70201		1
S03	0	1		19	30	36	37.01	-72.43	7625	135	291	003657	75201	356	12
A03	0	2		19	35	36	37.20	-72.82	7625	135	291	004251	107201		1
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	1	0		19	54	02	37.50	-73.19	7625	131	269				
S06	0	1		19	55	03	37.49	-73.30	7625	131	269	010121	212201	553	12
	1	0	DIS-E	19	56	05	37.48	-73.40	7625	131	269				
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	0	0	TEMP				37.60	-74.33	7625						
S08	1	1		20	20	48	37.63	-74.45	7625	138	283	012706	347401	215	12
A07	1	2	EXP	20	23	24	37.69	-74.72	7625	138	283	013031	366301		1
S09	0	1		20	26	24	37.75	-75.00	7625	138	283	013234	388001	32	12
	0	0	COAST	20	29	03	37.84	-75.37							

NOTES: ALL DATA ON REVERSE COURSE ON TAPE 2.

ROWS S0227_01

Hs / Tp = 2.18m / 9.78s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 123/126

ROWS S0227_02

Hs / Tp = 2.15m / 8.75s

ROWS W = 9.82; md/pd = 150/147

ROWS S0227_03

Hs / Tp = 1.12m / 8.69s

ROWS W = 9.84; md/pd = 183/189

ROWS S0227_04

Hs / Tp = 1.10m / 6.53s

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 268/269

ROWS S0227_05

Hs / Tp = 1.10m / 6.52s

ROWS W = 10.88; md/pd = 280/274

ROWS S0227_06

Hs / Tp = 1.10m / 6.52s

ROWS W = 11.95; md/pd = 270/270

ROWS S0227_07

ROWS W = 8.69; md/pd = 273/273

Hs / Tp = 1.8m / 6.53s

Frequency Hz

ROWS S0227_08

ROWS W = 6.53; md/pd = 268/273

Hs / Tp = 1.7m / 6.53s

Frequency Hz

ROWS S0227_09

ROWS W = 4.40; md/pd = 266/273

Hs / Tp = 1.6m / 6.52s

Frequency Hz

ROWS Flight
28 Feb 1991

Symbols

❊   Coastal Buoy   ⬡   6m NORMAD Buoy

◉   3m Discus Buoy   ▼   1m Met Buoy

◎   12m Discus Buoy   ▣   C-Man Station

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ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
FEB 28, 1991

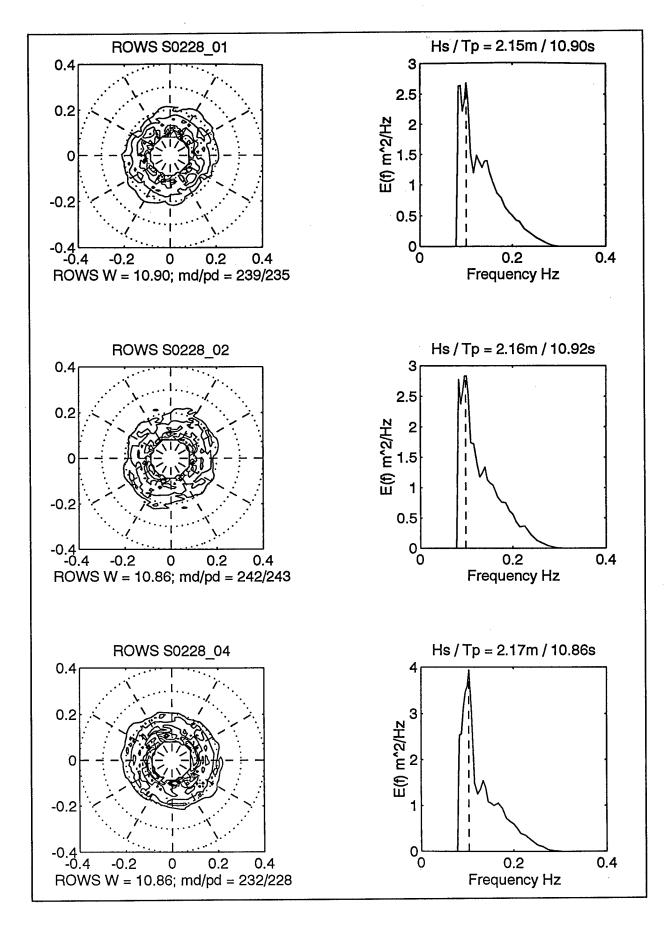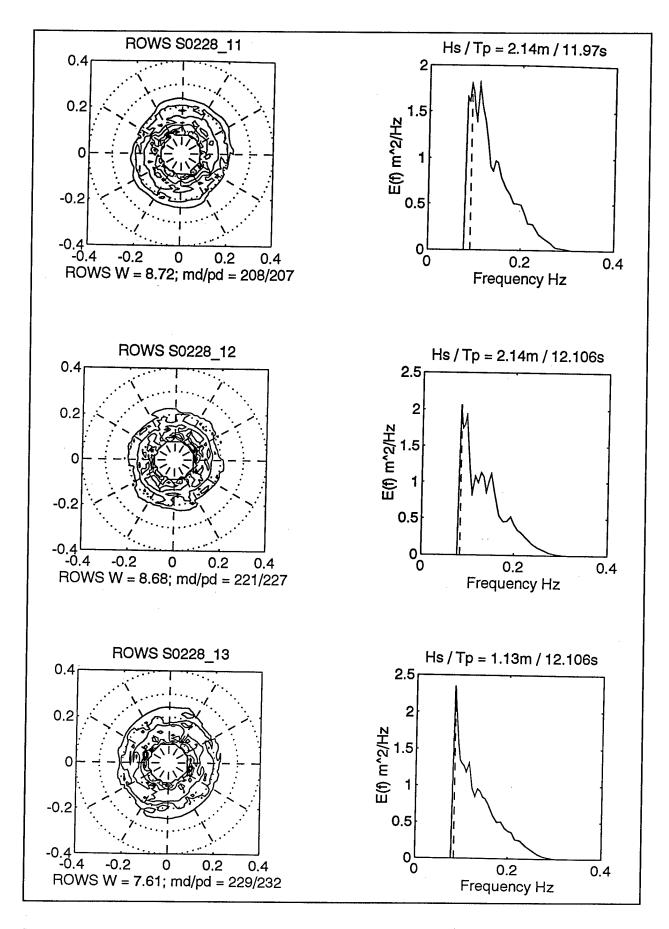| TAPE1/1 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN ME
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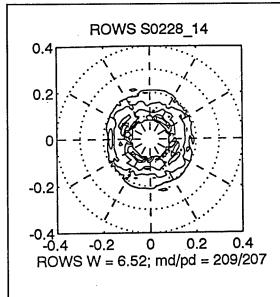
NOTES: (1) MODE '3' IS X-TRACK SPEC MODE DATA FOR CAL AND AVG POWER COMP; PC-TIC TIME HERE IS LST-12 HOURS. (2) S09 MAY HAVE HIGH 'INTERFERENCE' TYPE NOISE LEVEL (3) S10 IS OVER THE FRENCH MERLIN AT 11 KFT. (4) FILES S01-03 AND S06 RERUN WITH NEW PC-TIC TIMES ON 1/28/93 (TIMES HERE LISTED) TO AGREE WITH FILE START TIMES ('ACCURATE TIMES'). (5) RUNS FOR S03 AND S15 BOMBED W/ 'alloc br failure.'

ROWS S0228_01

Hs / Tp = 2.15m / 10.90s

ROWS W = 10.90; md/pd = 239/235

ROWS S0228_02

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 10.92s

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 242/243

ROWS S0228_04

Hs / Tp = 2.17m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 232/228

ROWS S0228_05

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 12.106s

ROWS W = 9.85; md/pd = 219/227

ROWS S0228_06

Hs / Tp = 2.15m / 10.89s

ROWS W = 9.82; md/pd = 232/237

ROWS S0228_07

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 9.78s

ROWS W = 9.81; md/pd = 235/227

ROWS S0228_08

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 10.87s

ROWS W = 8.76; md/pd = 232/237

ROWS S0228_09

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 10.89s

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 265/263

ROWS S0228_10

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 12.107s

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 243/243

ROWS S0228_11

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 11.97s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 208/207

ROWS S0228_12

Hs / Tp = 2.14m / 12.106s

ROWS W = 8.68; md/pd = 221/227

ROWS S0228_13

Hs / Tp = 1.13m / 12.106s

ROWS W = 7.61; md/pd = 229/232

ROWS S0228_14

ROWS W = 6.52; md/pd = 209/207

Hs / Tp = 1.13m / 11.95s

ROWS S0228_16

ROWS W = 5.41; md/pd = 225/230

Hs / Tp = 1.11m / 10.86s

ROWS Flight
2 Mar 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
MAR 02, 1991

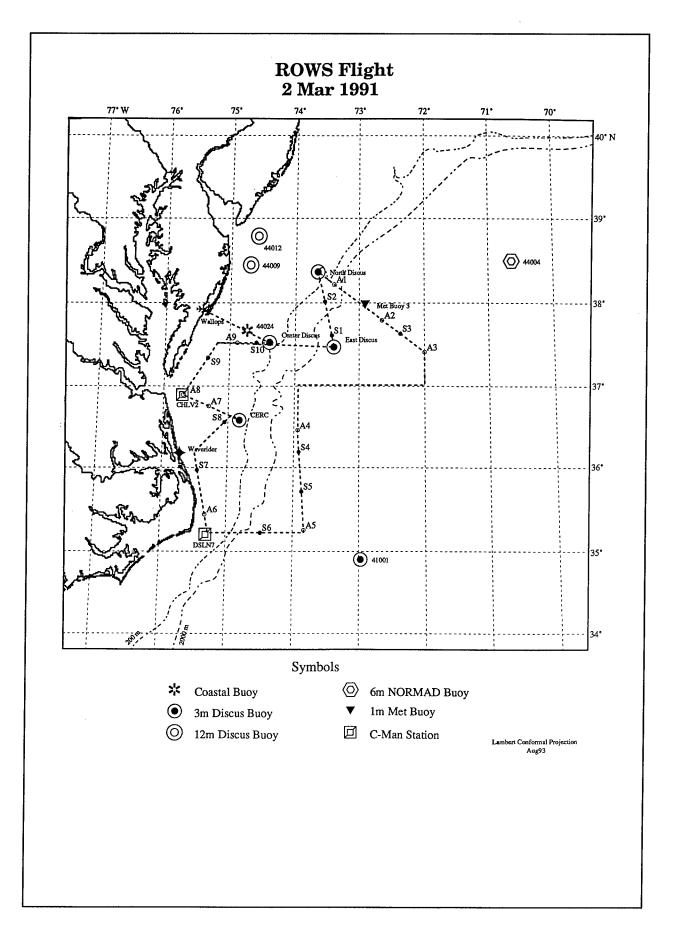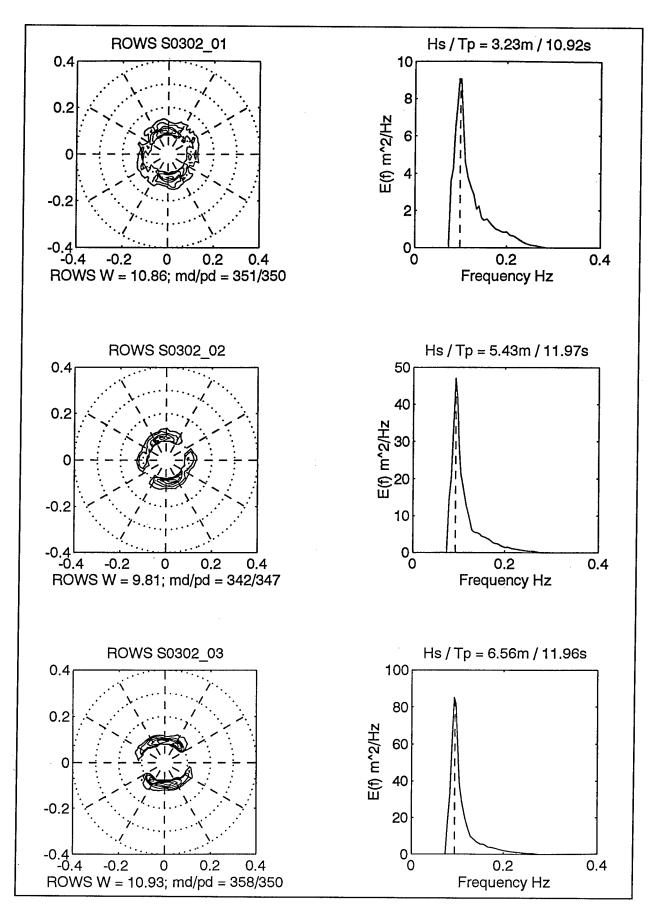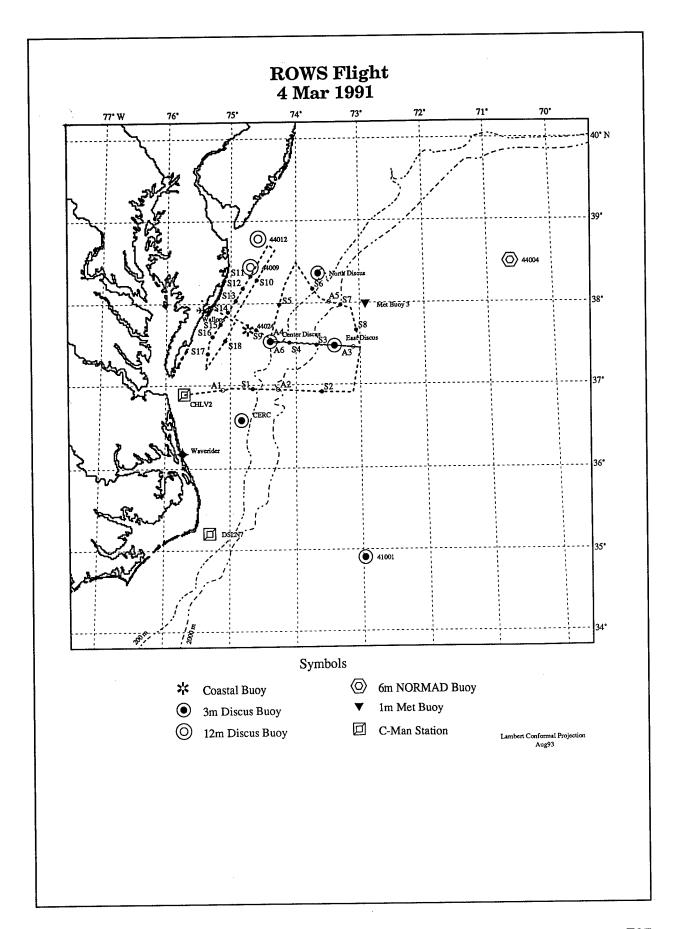| TAPE1/1 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN MB
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NOTES: (1) S09 BOMBED, 'nadir return < 25 bins'. (2) S07 RERUN W/ NEW PC TIC TIME. (3) LAT/LON CORRECTION FOR TIMING PROBLEMS (PC TIC VS LOG TIME) WITH FILES S01 (SECTOR 1 START TIME 160058) AND S02 (SECTOR 1 START TIME 160407).
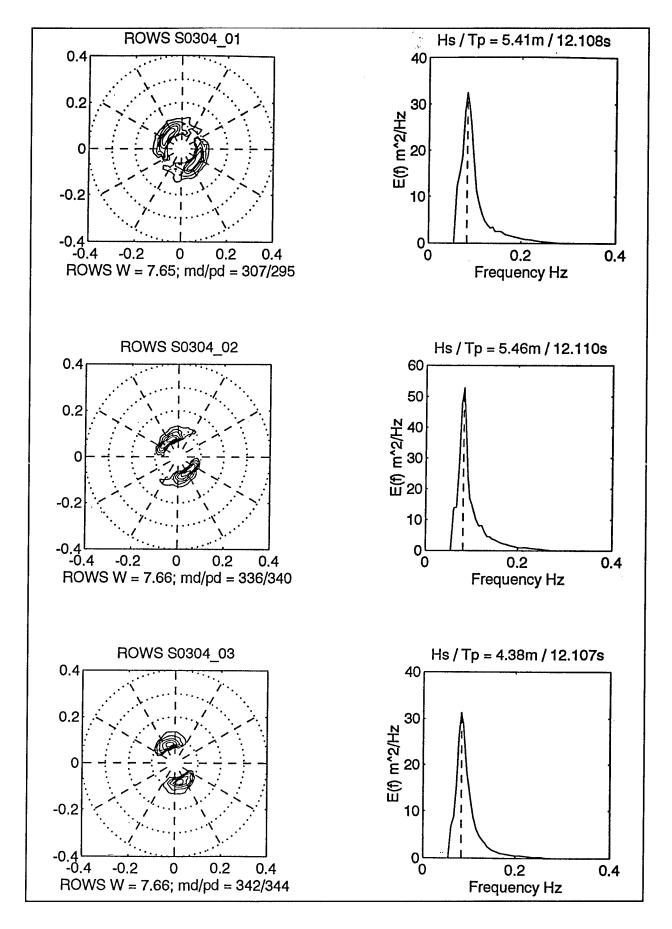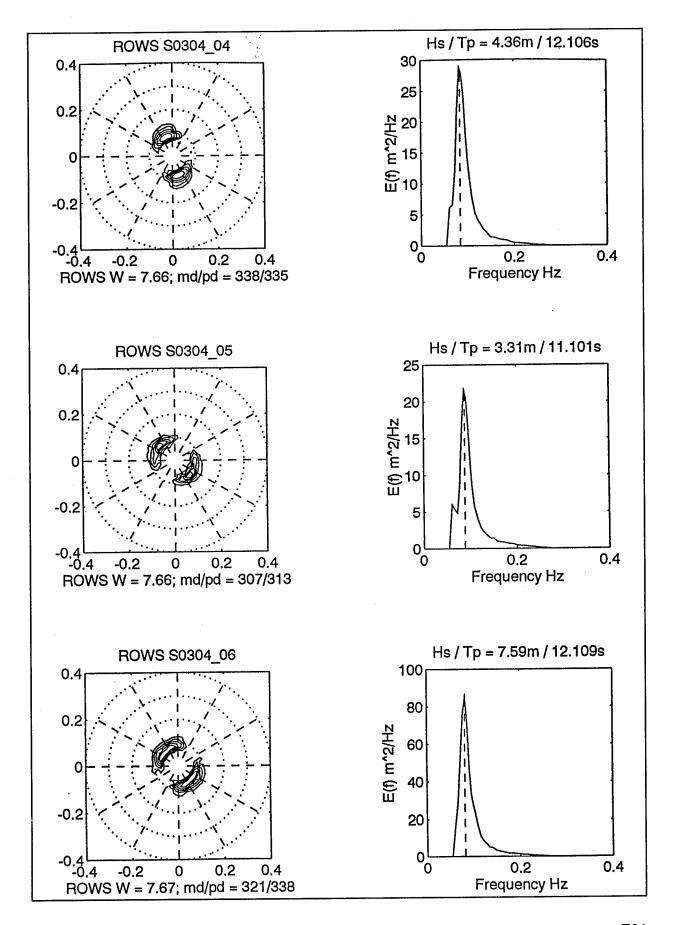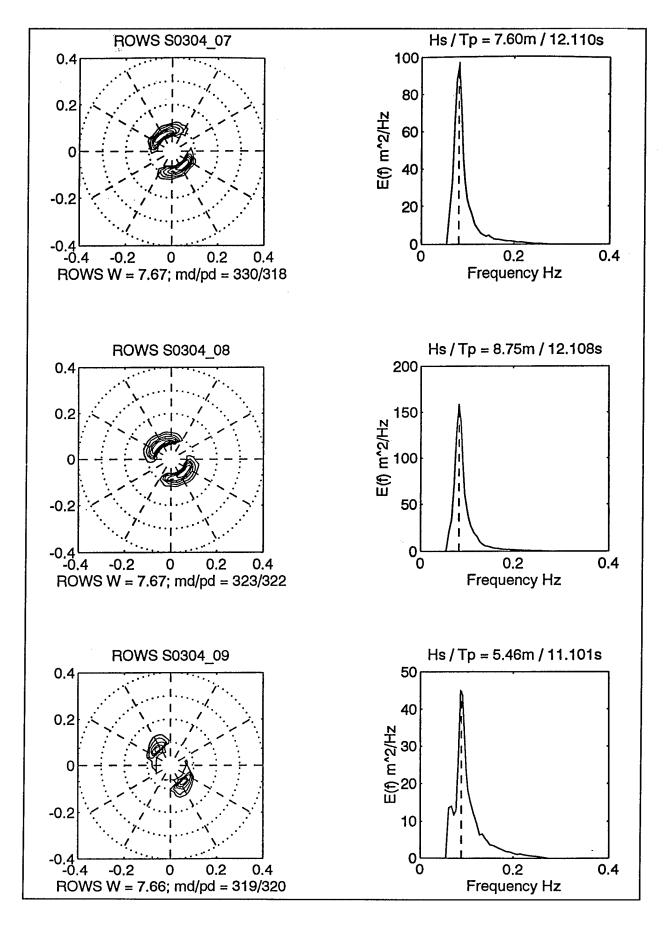
ROWS S0302_01

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 10.92s

ROWS W = 10.86; md/pd = 351/350

ROWS S0302_02

Hs / Tp = 5.43m / 11.97s

ROWS W = 9.81; md/pd = 342/347

ROWS S0302_03

Hs / Tp = 6.56m / 11.96s

ROWS W = 10.93; md/pd = 358/350

ROWS S0302_04

ROWS W = 11.97; md/pd = 327/327

Hs / Tp = 3.31m / 9.83s

ROWS S0302_05

ROWS W = 12.104; md/pd = 33/37

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 10.89s

ROWS S0302_06

ROWS W = 11.95; md/pd = 357/10

Hs / Tp = 3.25m / 10.86s

ROWS S0302_07

Hs / Tp = 2.16m / 9.78s

ROWS W = 7.59; md/pd = 293/284

ROWS S0302_08

Hs / Tp = 2.18m / 9.78s

ROWS W = 8.68; md/pd = 323/320

ROWS S0302_10

Hs / Tp = 2.22m / 10.88s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 323/321

ROWS Flight
4 Mar 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
⊙	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
MAR 04, 1991

TAPE1/1 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	EST HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN M
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NOTES: (1) S17 BOMBED FOR 'alloc br failure'. (2) S09 TIMING--LAT/LON CORRECTED.
(3) A04 BOMBED, 'nadir fell into noise calc window'. (4) A06 BAD, FILE START
TIME ERROR.
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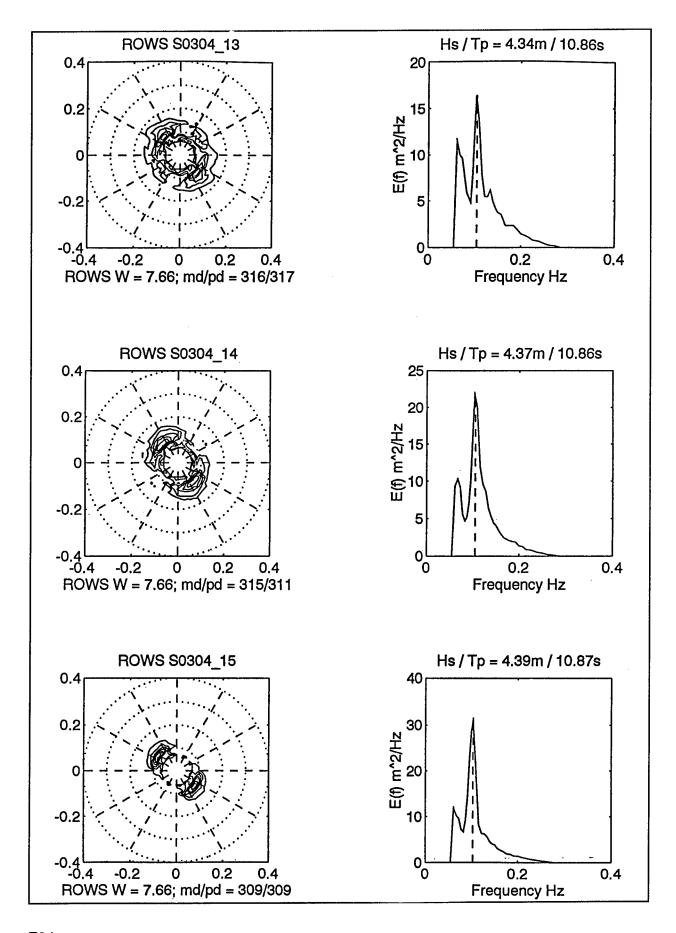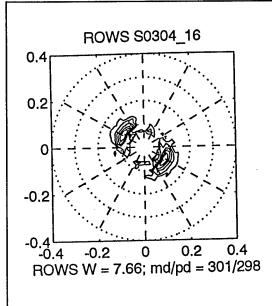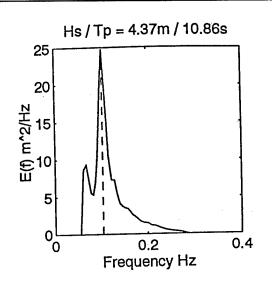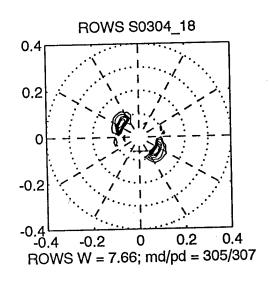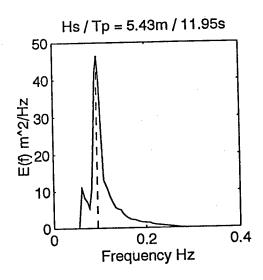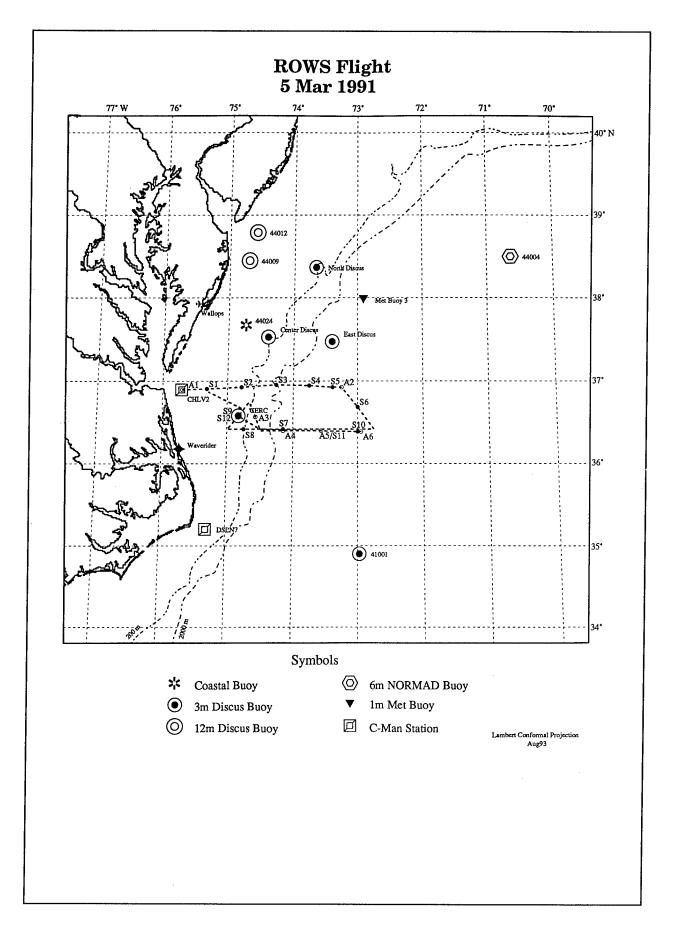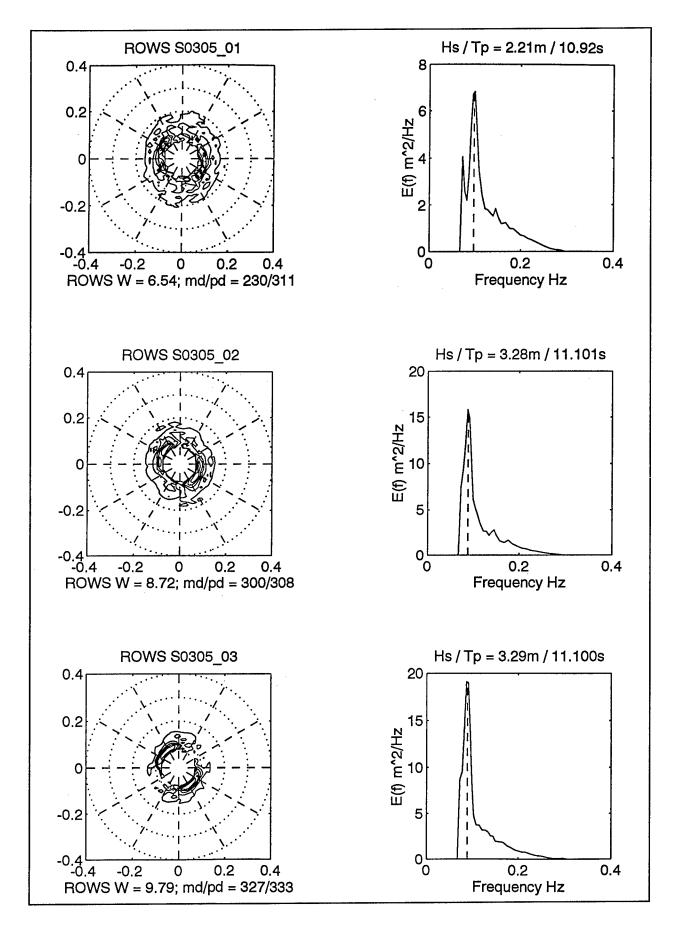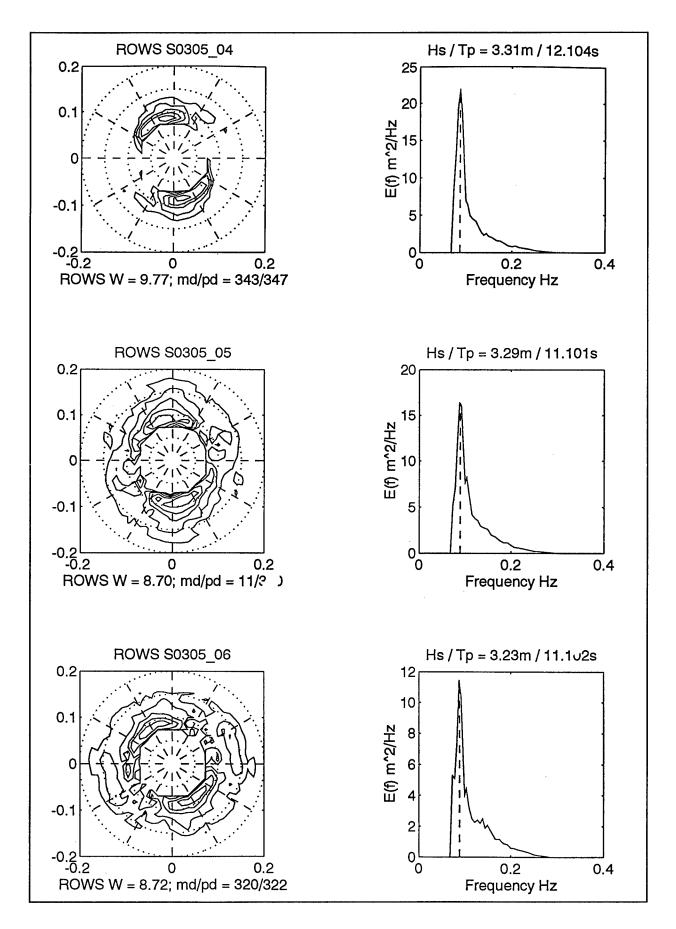
ROWS S0304_01

Hs / Tp = 5.41m / 12.108s

ROWS W = 7.65; md/pd = 307/295

ROWS S0304_02

Hs / Tp = 5.46m / 12.110s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 336/340

ROWS S0304_03

Hs / Tp = 4.38m / 12.107s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 342/344

ROWS S0304_04

Hs / Tp = 4.36m / 12.106s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 338/335

ROWS S0304_05

Hs / Tp = 3.31m / 11.101s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 307/313

ROWS S0304_06

Hs / Tp = 7.59m / 12.109s

ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 321/338

ROWS S0304_07

Hs / Tp = 7.60m / 12.110s

ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 330/318

ROWS S0304_08

Hs / Tp = 8.75m / 12.108s

ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 323/322

ROWS S0304_09

Hs / Tp = 5.46m / 11.101s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 319/320

ROWS S0304_10

Hs / Tp = 4.40m / 11.95s

0.4
0.2
0
-0.2
-0.4
-0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4

ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 319/325

30
25
20
15
10
5
0

E(f) m^2/Hz

0   0.2   0.4

Frequency Hz

ROWS S0304_11

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.87s

0.4
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ROWS W = 7.67; md/pd = 305/310

20
15
10
5
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E(f) m^2/Hz

0   0.2   0.4

Frequency Hz

ROWS S0304_12

Hs / Tp = 4.36m / 10.86s

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-0.4
-0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 300/299

20
15
10
5
0

E(f) m^2/Hz

0   0.2   0.4

Frequency Hz

ROWS S0304_13

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 316/317

Hs / Tp = 4.34m / 10.86s

ROWS S0304_14

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 315/311

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.86s

ROWS S0304_15

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 309/309

Hs / Tp = 4.39m / 10.87s

ROWS S0304_16

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 301/298

ROWS S0304_18

Hs / Tp = 5.43m / 11.95s

ROWS W = 7.66; md/pd = 305/307

ROWS Flight
5 Mar 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
MAR 05, 1991

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S03	1	1		12	14	12	36.96	-74.26	7000	183	092	121047	69600	899	12
S04	0	1		12	17	52	36.95	-73.75	7000	183	092	121427	91500	851	12
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	1	0	TPW	13	02	36	36.42	-74.50	9608	165	255				
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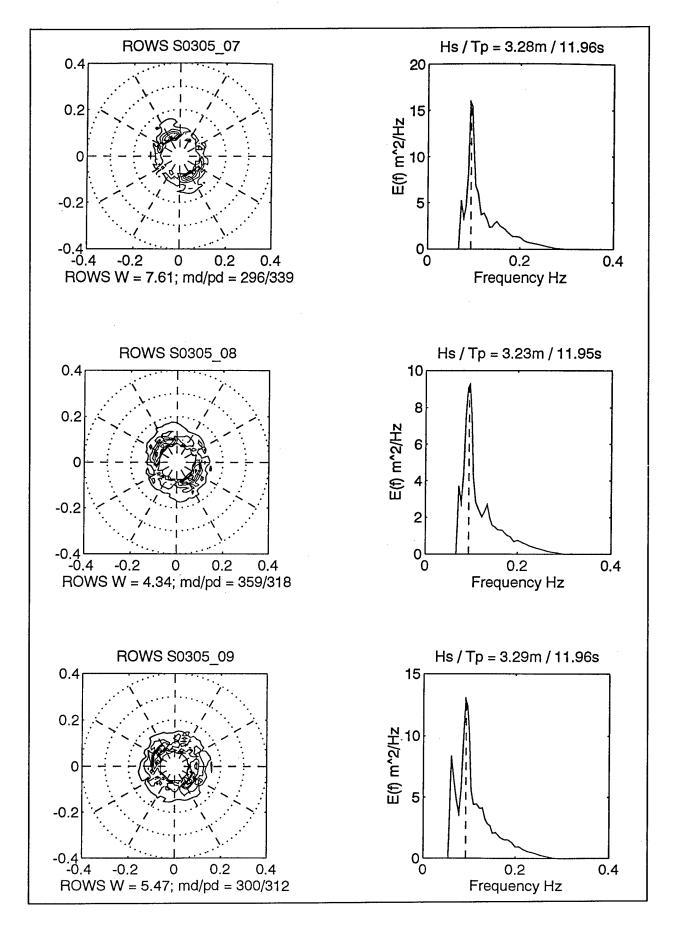
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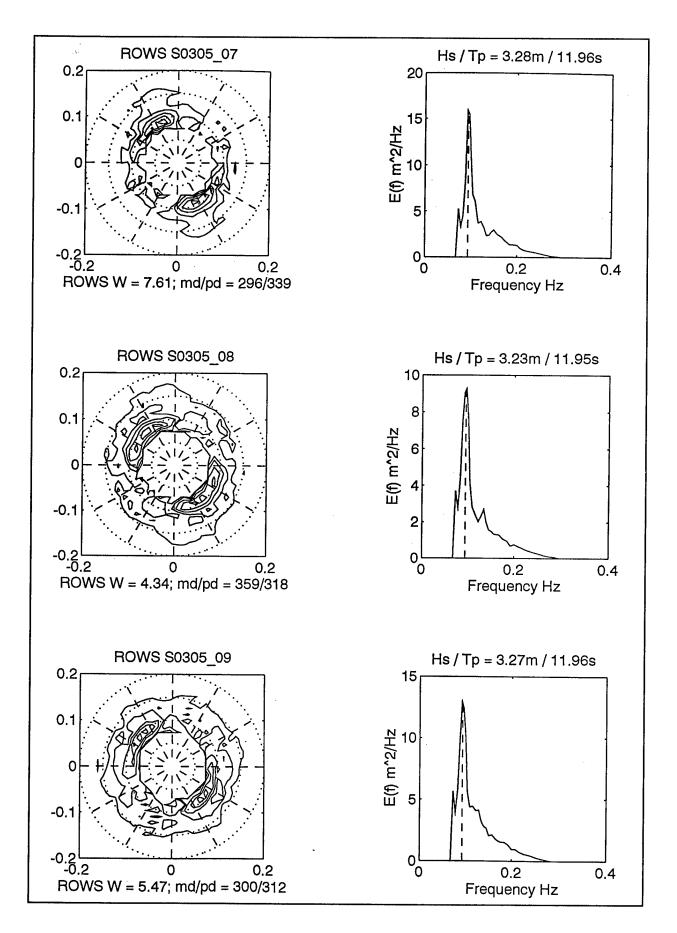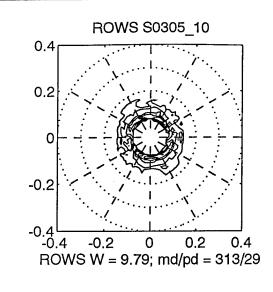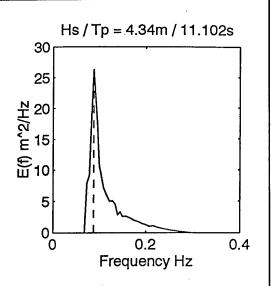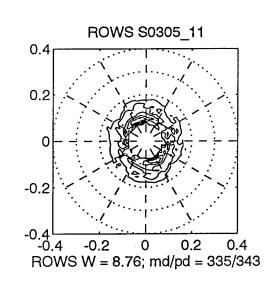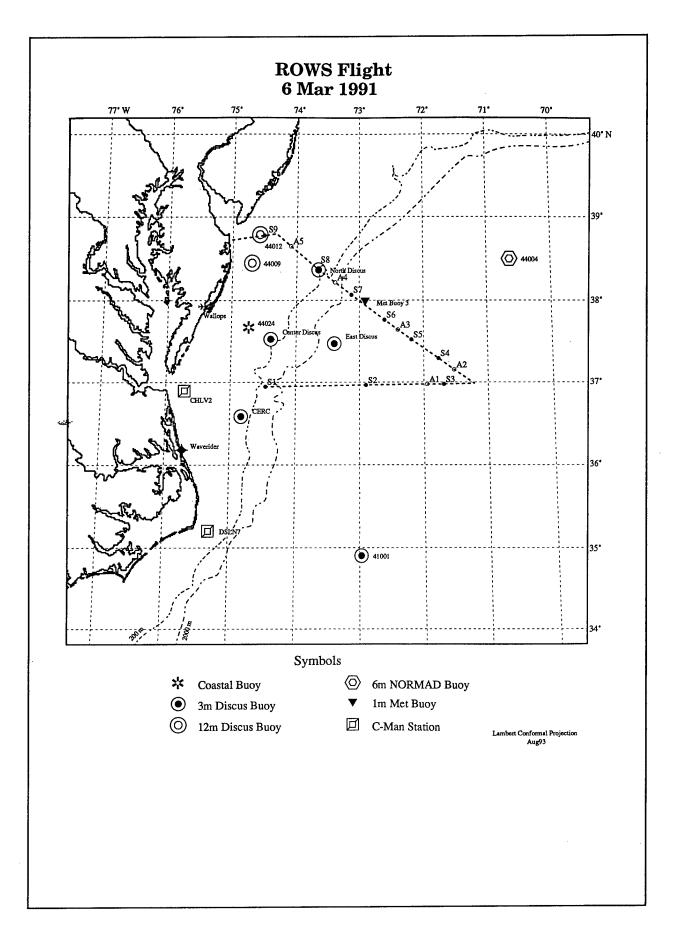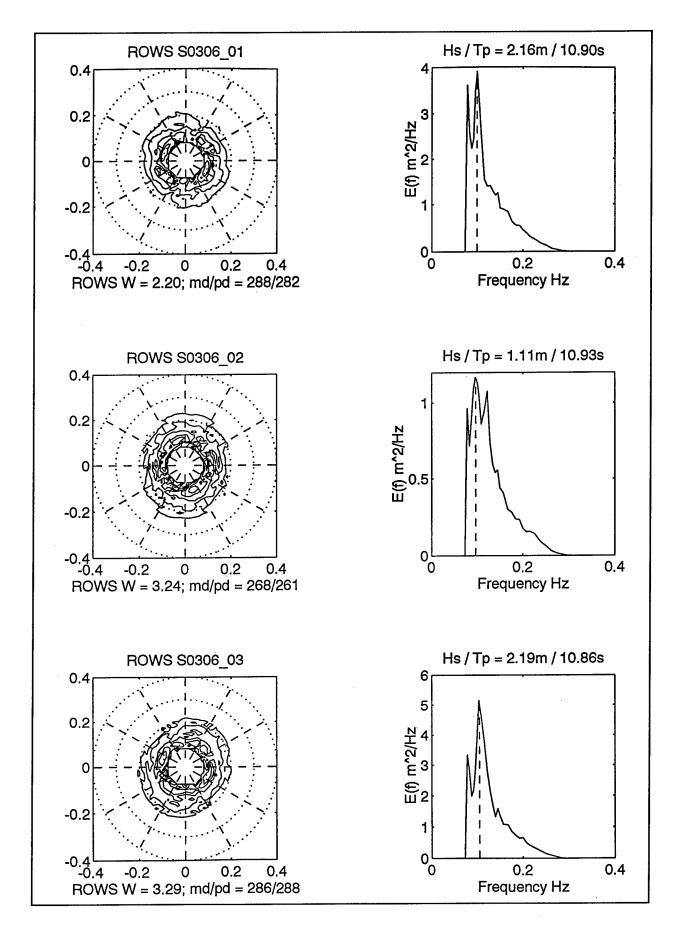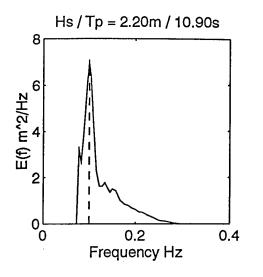
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Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 10.92s

ROWS S0305_02

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 300/308

Hs / Tp = 3.28m / 11.101s

ROWS S0305_03

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 327/333

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 11.100s

ROWS S0305_01

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 10.92s

ROWS W = 6.54; md/pd = 230/311

ROWS S0305_02

Hs / Tp = 3.28m / 11.101s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 300/308

ROWS S0305_03

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 11.100s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 327/333

ROWS S0305_04

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 343/347

Hs / Tp = 3.31m / 12.104s

ROWS S0305_05

ROWS W = 8.70; md/pd = 11/340

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 11.101s

ROWS S0305_06

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 320/322

Hs / Tp = 3.25m / 11.101s

ROWS S0305_04

Hs / Tp = 3.31m / 12.104s

ROWS W = 9.77; md/pd = 343/347

ROWS S0305_05

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 11.101s

ROWS W = 8.70; md/pd = 11/?)

ROWS S0305_06

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 11.1∪2s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 320/322

ROWS S0305_07

ROWS W = 7.61; md/pd = 296/339

Hs / Tp = 3.28m / 11.96s

ROWS S0305_08

ROWS W = 4.34; md/pd = 359/318

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 11.95s

ROWS S0305_09

ROWS W = 5.47; md/pd = 300/312

Hs / Tp = 3.29m / 11.96s

ROWS S0305_07

Hs / Tp = 3.28m / 11.96s

ROWS W = 7.61; md/pd = 296/339

ROWS S0305_08

Hs / Tp = 3.23m / 11.95s

ROWS W = 4.34; md/pd = 359/318

ROWS S0305_09

Hs / Tp = 3.27m / 11.96s

ROWS W = 5.47; md/pd = 300/312

ROWS S0305_10

Hs / Tp = 4.34m / 11.102s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 313/29

ROWS S0305_11

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.94s

ROWS W = 8.76; md/pd = 335/343

ROWS S0305_10

Hs / Tp = 4.34m / 11.102s

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 313/29

ROWS S0305_11

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.94s

ROWS W = 8.76; md/pd = 335/343

ROWS Flight
6 Mar 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▣	C-Man Station

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                    ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
                              MAR 06, 1991
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TAPE2/2
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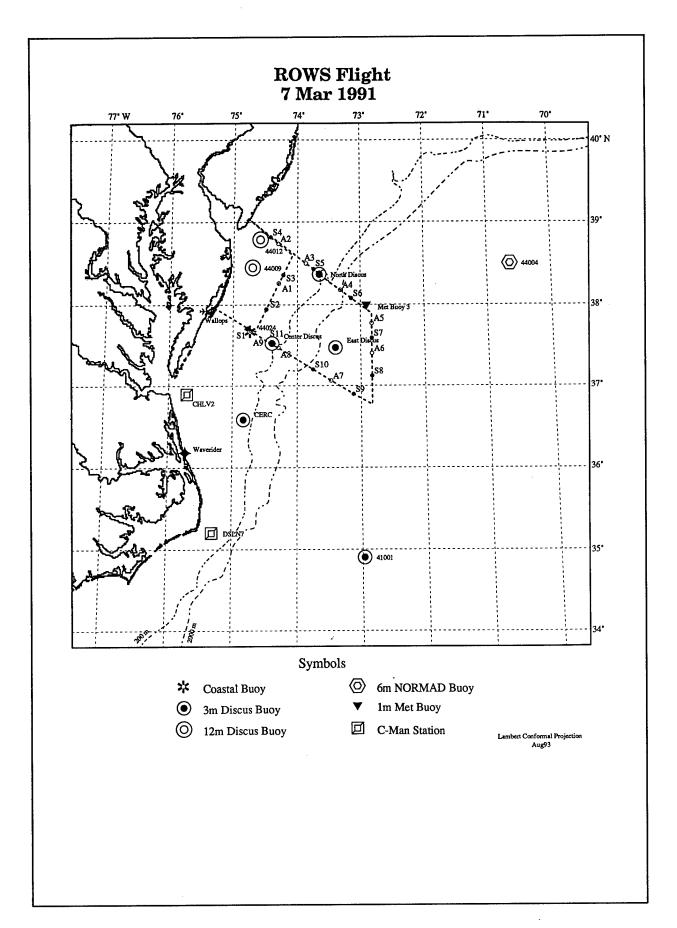
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ROWS W = 2.20; md/pd = 288/282

ROWS S0306_02

Hs / Tp = 1.11m / 10.93s

ROWS W = 3.24; md/pd = 268/261

ROWS S0306_03

Hs / Tp = 2.19m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 3.29; md/pd = 286/288

Appendix E   ROWS Spectra, 12 February - 7 March 1991

ROWS S0306_04

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 11.95s

ROWS W = 3.31; md/pd = 276/280

ROWS S0306_05

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 10.92s

ROWS W = 3.31; md/pd = 326/321

ROWS S0306_06

Hs / Tp = 2.19m / 9.83s

ROWS W = 3.31; md/pd = 284/288

ROWS S0306_07

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 10.90s

ROWS W = 3.31; md/pd = 328/328

ROWS Flight
7 Mar 1991

Symbols

✳	Coastal Buoy	⬡	6m NORMAD Buoy
◉	3m Discus Buoy	▼	1m Met Buoy
◎	12m Discus Buoy	▢	C-Man Station

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ROWS SWADE FLIGHT NAVIGATION AND FILE DATA
MAR 07, 1991--FLIGHT #1
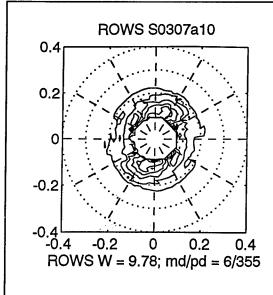
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TAPE2/2

TAPE1/2 FILE	POS FIX	ROWS MODE	BUOY/ WP	HH	MM	SS	LAT	LON	ALT M	SPD M/S	HDG TRU	PC-TIC START	REC # START	0 DEG DELTA	LEN ME
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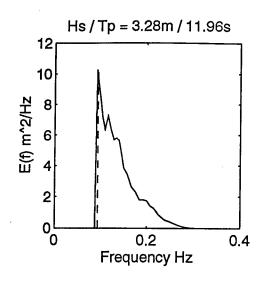
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ROWS S0307a02

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 7.64; md/pd = 336/336

ROWS S0307a03

Hs / Tp = 2.20m / 10.86s

ROWS W = 8.72; md/pd = 337/346

ROWS S0307a04

ROWS W = 9.82; md/pd = 346/345

Hs / Tp = 2.21m / 9.84s

ROWS S0307a05

ROWS W = 9.81; md/pd = 15/11

Hs / Tp = 3.26m / 10.91s

ROWS S0307a06

ROWS W = 9.81; md/pd = 31/33

Hs / Tp = 3.27m / 9.83s

ROWS S0307a07

ROWS W = 9.79; md/pd = 357/8

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 10.93s

ROWS S0307a08

ROWS W = 9.83; md/pd = 3/7

Hs / Tp = 4.32m / 10.94s

ROWS S0307a09

ROWS W = 10.88; md/pd = 22/18

Hs / Tp = 4.37m / 10.93s

ROWS S0307a10

Hs / Tp = 3.28m / 11.96s

ROWS W = 9.78; md/pd = 6/355

ROWS S0307a11

Hs / Tp = 3.24m / 9.85s

ROWS W = 8.68; md/pd = 350/355

Appendix F
Daily Weather Maps

The figures found in thix appendix are derived from weekly publications by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service, and the National Meteorological Center Climate Analysis Center. They are based on operational surface weather analyses. Each figure represents the fronts, pressure centers, and observations at 7:00 a.m. E.S.T. for each day displayed in the figure caption. Precipitation is indicated by the shaded area. Movement of large low pressure centers is indicated by lines designated with arrowheads. Origin of movement is identified by a small box.
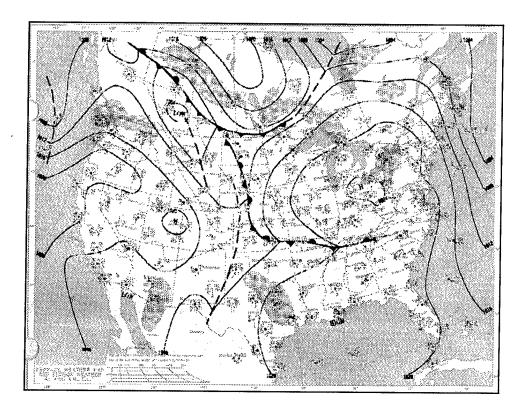
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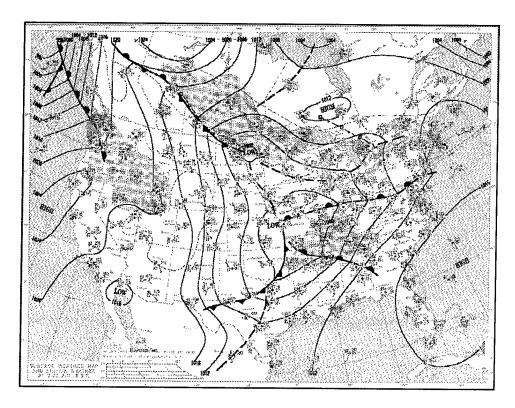
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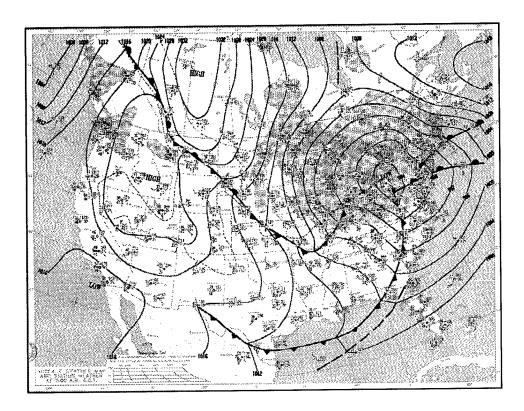
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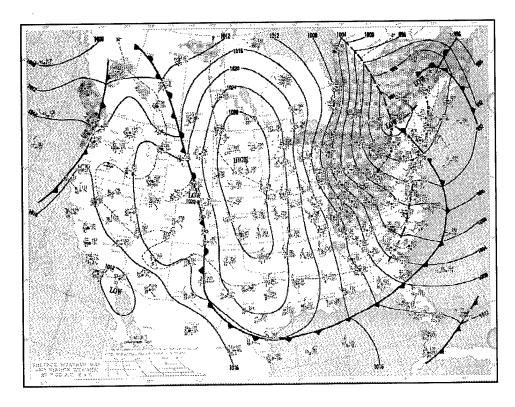
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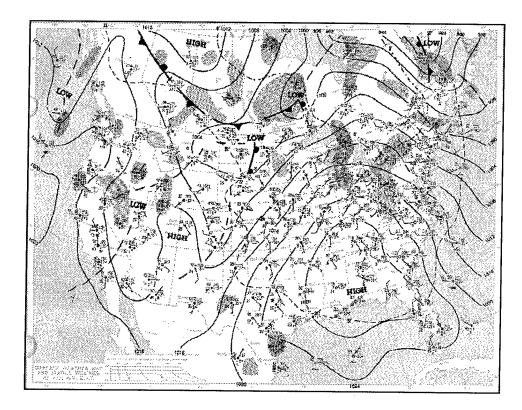
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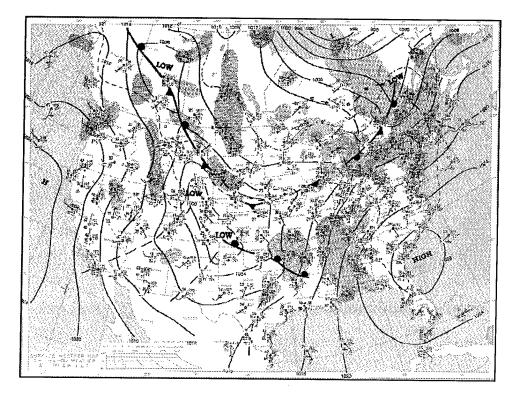
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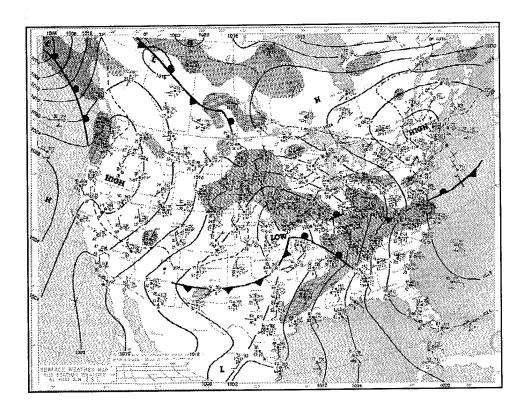
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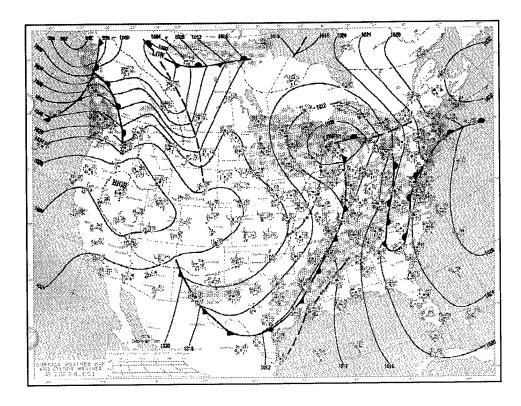
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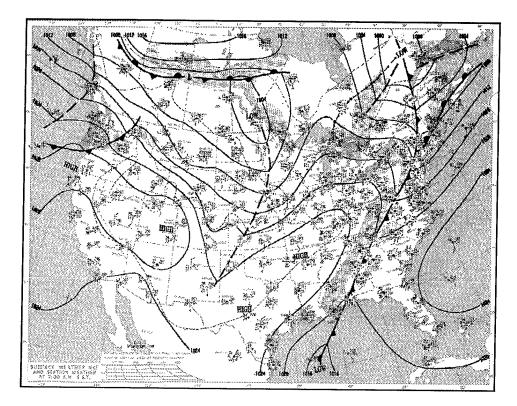
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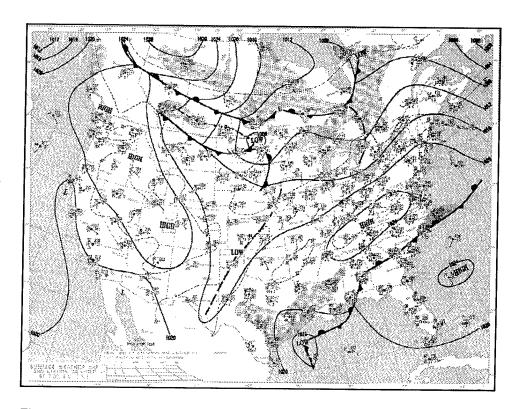
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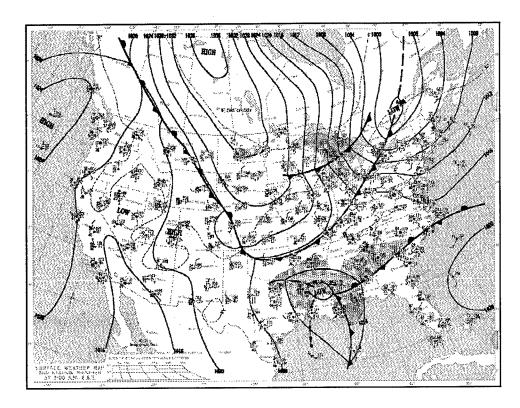
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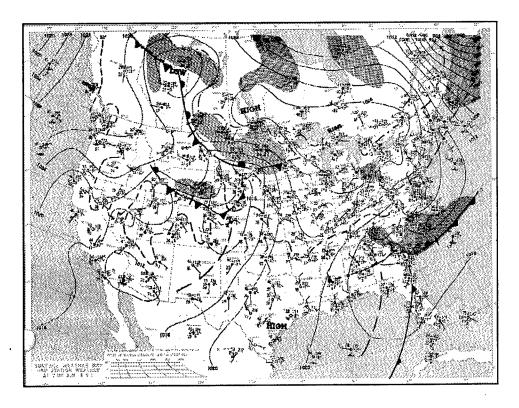
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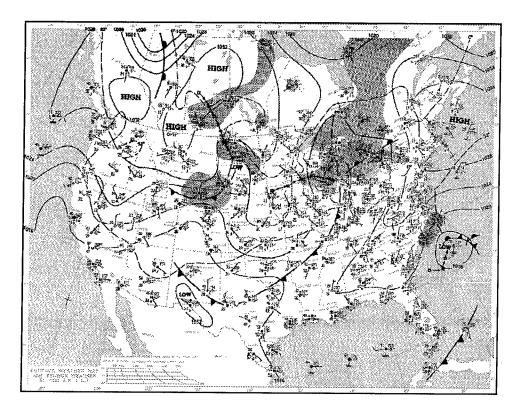
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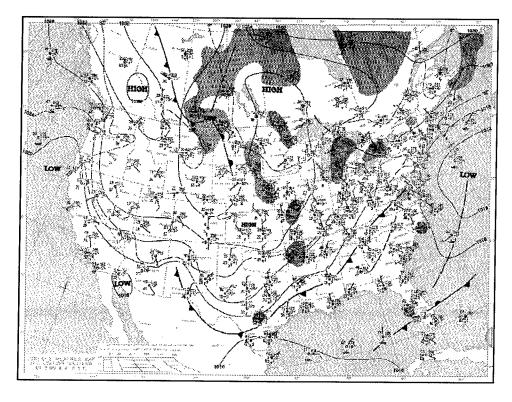
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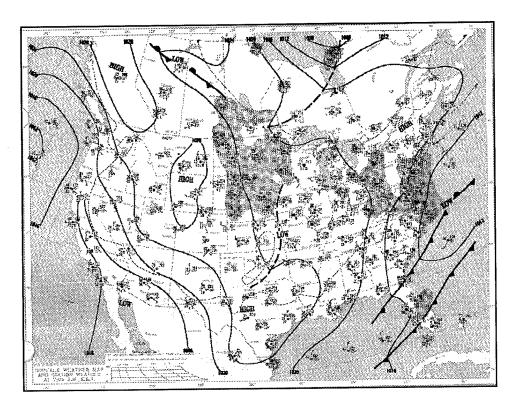
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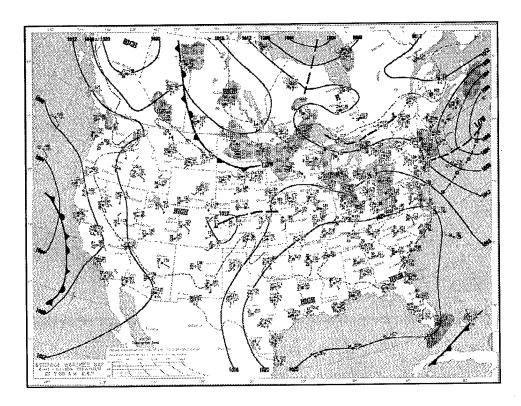
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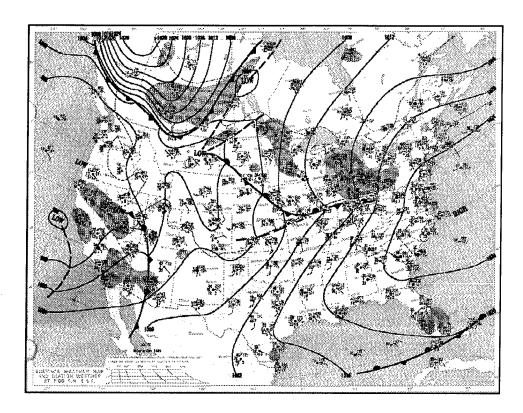
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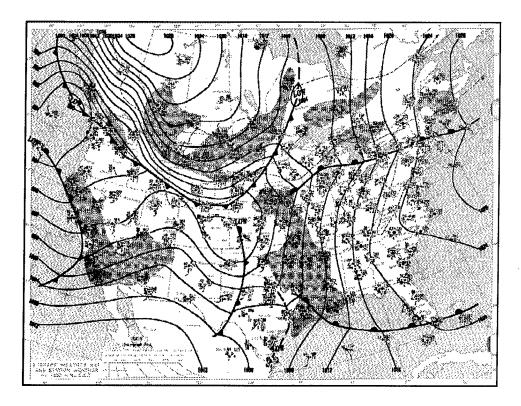
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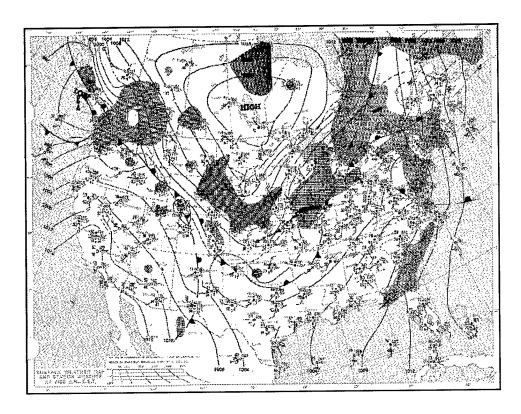
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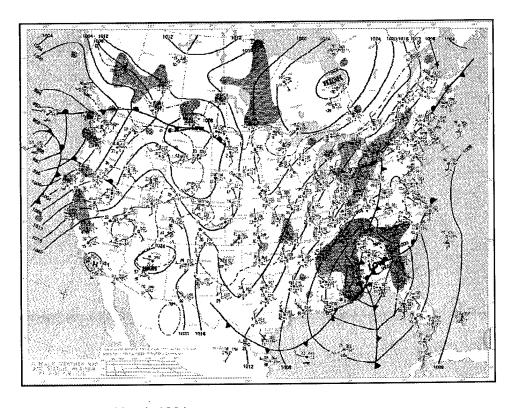
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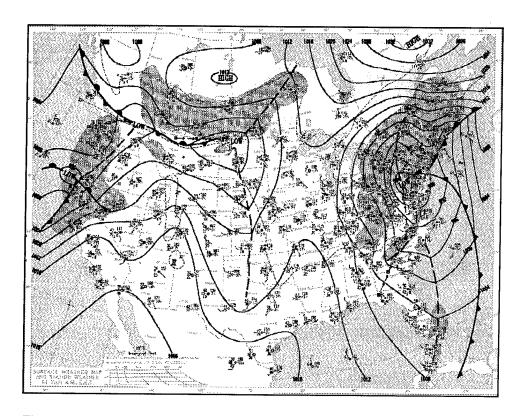
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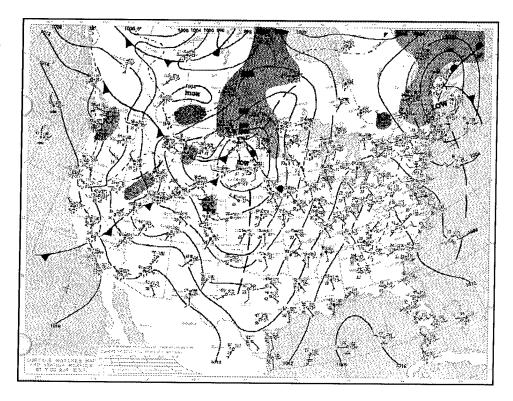
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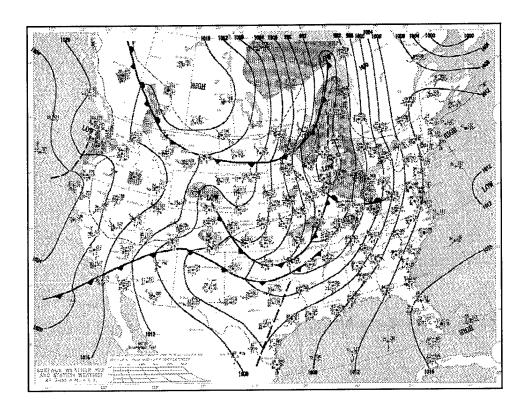
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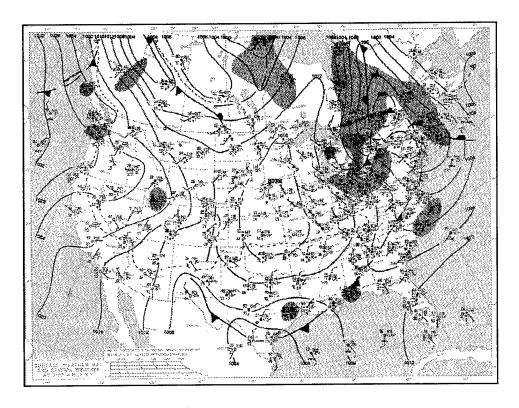
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Appendix G
Notation

A	Wave form amplitude
c	Speed of light
D_o	Normalization constant
E	Energy spectrum
E_o	Wave height variance
E^*	Nondimensional energy
f	Frequency, hertz
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F	Directional wave-height variance, or energy, spectrum
g	Acceleration of gravity
H	Mean altitude, aircraft altitude
Hs	Wave height
k	(Radian) wave number
K	Wave number, cycles per meter
L_y	Lateral, 1-sigma, antenna footprint dimension
md	Mean direction
MSS	Mean square slope
MSS_1, MSS_2	Principal mean square slope components

pd	Peak direction
R	Slope anisotropy aspect ratio (MSS2/MSS1)
s	Spread parameter
SWH	Significant wave height
t_o	Time of return from the mean sea surface (epoch)
Tp	Peak period
U_{10n}	Equivalent neutral wind speed at 10-m-level
W	Wind speed
$W(t)$	Average altimeter power return wave form
X^*	Nondimensional fetch
α	Measurement sensitivity coefficient
$\Delta\phi$	Half-power directional spread
$\Delta\phi_{iso}$	Isotropic limit for first harmonic half-power spread
θ_c	Effective incidence angle
σ	Leading edge wave form parameter
σ_b	Antenna beam width parameter
σ_p	1-sigma radar pulse width
τ	Trailing edge wave form parameter
ϕ	Azimuth of the antenna
ϕ_1	Major axis direction
ϕ_o	Mean direction

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